

Dare to Dream 2

Stir up your Dream with the Right association

Power of right asso

Acts 2:17

– but like **seeds** – take **time**

Easy to **give up** – lost fire,

enthu; – **ma** – **career** – **health**

- **Bamboo**

Time when – believe for good **marriage**, now settle just staying same roof – no real rel

Career – excel – hit with set back – settle life of mediocrity

Health – overcome by chron – live with it

Psalms 67:5-7

5 May the peoples praise you, O God; may all the peoples praise you.

6 Then the land will yield its harvest, and God, our God, will bless us.

For your **sake** – praise – see

God's **greatness** – it releases **faith**

Abraham – **decision** – **praise** –

give thanks – something happen

When praise – **something** happen on the inside of you - Faith - strength – joy – hope

Praise – instead seeing how big prob – see **HOW BIG** God is

If you are – **angry** murmur critical

– crying unfair – **loose faith**

and **dream** – **fact is**

Situation - unfair – not be blessed

Kids – disappointing even put in so much – they never change

Fact – every **person** or country or ministry – will have weakness – key – see the positive and the fruits – happy

Prob – waiting situation to change

– then **happy** That doesn't take **faith** - Jericho

Once you had prayed – don't keep nagging - **begging** - get into **praise**

Big God – got the **SOLN BEF** –

at work – cant see -

TESTIMONY

As we **PRAISE** – we can **hear**

the sound of abundance

Speak words that give life to

dream – creative –

Don't use words – **describe** -

change

You can **prophecy** your fut – **best year ...**

Best year – country - day

Child turning around – doing great, instead of pressuring them

Finances – I am blessed – favor or God

2 *Tim 1:6-8*

6 Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands.7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind. NKJV

First thing – Paul said – **stir up**

your gifts – calling – dream - **seeds**

Used Seed to illus – tremendous potential

NIV Fan into flame

AMP Rekindle the flame

Get the fire back

Proverbs 12:26

26 A righteous man is **cautious** in friendship, but the way of the wicked leads them **astray**

Great **impact** – whether you **fulfil**

God given destiny - why

Destroy – vision, dream, seed of

God's purpose –

1 *Kings 3:16-27*

Rehoboam – surrounded -

ungodly peers – lost half

kingdom

Why so impt – **right asso**

I. You become like the people you hang out with

If you want to know – how you

would look like **10 yrs** – just

look at your friends

Prov 13:20

20 He who walks with **WISE** men will be **WISE**. But the companion of fools will be **destroyed**. NKJV

Why is it important to hang out with the right people and how?

If **hang out** with friends: **big vision**,

big dreamers, achievers, going places, people you want to **become**

inspire you to do what you **think is not possible**

If hang out – **wrong** people → **not wise**

Not wise, not discerning - **destroyed**

If **all** your friends – **critical, negative, complaining** – can't - **+ve result**

You will be **like** them - **Cant** hang out with negative peo and **expect** to live a positive life

Lazy, not dreamers, no vision, depress gloomy all the time - **pull**

Pull you down instead of pulling you up

Keep you from rising higher

Now - good you have people that you **enc** – **help** overcome – you are an **inspiration** to them – some wont want to change

If – stir – hang out – right peo

PROSPEROUS in life? Hang out – **big vision** - loves to **give**

May not be rich – but have a big heart and big vision

GOOD REL? hang out with people have good rel

Don't want to hang out –

unfaithful to spouse, disrespectful, critical, no goals,

HANG OUT right peo - Study that person – watch – **talk** – **treat** – carry - **discipline**

– **watch** how they talk – **treat** other people – how **discipline** – how they **carry** themselves

Have you seen **man** - **nice** to wife – treat so good

– honey let me do this for you – just a sec – some dust on seat

– wet – let me dry – feel like saying - not going to melt

– at first unnatural– soon get conviction - make you want to be like him

Over time good qualities will **rub off** on you

Proverbs 22:24-25

Do not associate with a man given to anger; Or go with a hot-tempered man, Lest you **learn** his ways, And find a **snare** for yourself.

Why not asso? - like – **snare: trap, bondage**

TEV Not able to change

LB Endanger your soul

No matter what good dreams,

good seed, enviro of **bad soil** – wont take root

If hang around **STINGY** - never **HAPPY** - no **INTEGRITY**

ARROGANT – proud – polluting you on inside

SPENDING beyond means

Hang out – always **JEALOUSY** – **envy**

Watch – **react** – **promo**

- cele – murmur?

Watch how people react – see some body more blessed – promoted – pour cold water – celebrate?

Murmur like Judas – you don't want hang out – such - be rob

If celebrate - You want to hang out with such – going to be great achievers – big heart

If celebrate – he may not be the one promoted, you want to spend time with him – he has a big heart – will be a great achiever

If always hang out - one that is always **CRITICAL** – bad report

– gossiping - **latest scandal** – in name of getting latest news
– **lunch - phone**
Spend everyday - entire **lunch** – think?
Dont go **home** – talking on **phone** all night – dumping **rubbish**
Oh – I don't receive – but that **poison** – go inside – **cancer - toxic**
Loving and caring – praying - **wont**
Some people dont **want to change** – come up higher
Life too **precious** – stuck with – if want to **be all – need to come out of toxic rel**
Life and your **dream** – too **precious** to spend on wrong people
Kind – polite - **little by little** – less and less time
Cutting down all the teh tarik sessions
How do we know we are hanging out with the wrong people?
Here is a simple **test** – if always feel **drain tired and depress**
Red flag – recog that rel - **stealing your victory**
Young people
Choosing the **wrong friends** – **steal** destiny and vision
– don't hang around – **bad att** – **causing trouble – fun – destroy vision**
– people – **bad att** all the time – always **causing** trouble
No **vision** of their own
Some – have **incredible** – prob – hang out with people
Hang around **vision, discipline, focus**
Parent – don't overreact if kids with wrong guys

– pray for wisdom – how slowly little by little – keep kids from them
Why does God sometimes want us to make new friends?
Some may be gd for a season – Not bad people – outgrown them – open to new revelations – don't be upset – if God new friends
new season – God wants to bring you higher lever
No more friends – if make right choice, honor God's word
God **already have some** – would be an inspiration
Not **quantity** – quality – don't want just to **fit** in the crowd - **uncommon**
2. You need people that will draw out the best in you
Proverbs 27:17
Prob: we hang out with people that are **like** us – **Psy** - law of group
– asso with people that are like us
Negative people find – **gossip complainers**
Don't know why – I am **drawn** to people like that
Why – birds of same feather
How to come out of the **rut?**
Proverbs 20:5
5 The purposes of a man's heart are deep waters, but a man of understanding draws them out.
Purpose: Counsel, prudence, schemes, designs,
We are all born in sin, with potential for evil.
All born with sin nature – everyone **POTENTIAL**
gossiper, grumbler, negative
Every one of us potentially is a gossiper, negative, etc.

How to overcome the problem?

We do not want people that will empower our weakness but people will bring out the best in us!
If you **struggles: impatience** – don't hang around with impatient
Negative depress discourage - 5
Don't go find 5 other depress – talk all day
Find friends – **happy** – full of **faith hope joy contiguous**
Man struggle with temper
– father - eventually – right thinking – changed – gymn – met – good friend – prob – anger – just when set free – try to help – over time realise – not willing to change – enjoy company – difficult decision – just come off – if don't get away – right back to hot temper
Realise easier - Chair
Some of you – God may be saying for 2 yrs **come out** of that rel
What will hanging out with the wrong people do to us?
Prob: some – negative - **closest**
David's bro – take care of father's – few sheep – make him feel sm – do nothing great
David didn't believe that lie or but he believe what God puts in heart
Step out – fulfil God's destiny
Pastor, are we not supposed to – **reach** out?
Lot and Abraham
Genesis 13:14

14 The LORD said to Abram after Lot had parted from him, "Lift up your eyes from where you are and look north and south, east and west.
Realise that until we come out of mixing with the wrong people, we **cannot** move **on** with God's vision and dream for out lives
1 Corinthians 5:9-11
9 I have written you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people- 10 not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world.
11 But now I am writing you that you must not associate with anyone **who calls himself a brother** but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or a slanderer, a drunkard or a swindler. With such a man do not even **eat**.
Some you know – just **wont** **change**
If you don't – wont grow
Guy bitten by dog
– doc – rabies – wrote list of names
– don't have to do your will – cure
– no – list I want to bite
Some – issue **too big** – you don't want to take **chances**
Same way – don't take change – convicted rapist – put him stay – home alone with teen daughters
Unity of the church – 133
Watch out for **sentimental** kindness
Joab – Absalom
Romans 16:17
17 I urge you, brothers, to **watch** out for those who cause **divisions** and put **obstacles** in your way that are contrary to the **teaching** you have learned. **Keep** away from them.
Why so strong measure?
Obstacle – vision
– **2 common** area of attack (Vernon)
Tongues and prosperity
- **No respect** you – treat you like **rubbish bin – rob**

How many talk courteously w
robbers

Titus 1 13

13 This testimony is true.
Therefore, **rebuke** them **sharply**, **so**
that they will be **sound** in the faith.

If you heard people talking about
somebody you know – you
have a **responsibility** to put an
end to it

How to stop from hearing
negative things?

2 ways – strong way: **excuse me**

I am not a rubbish bin

- the other more **gentler**

approach – little by little – you
spend less and less time

Ps 133

Yes – they may think you odd

gilla – **talk** about you

people like that – if not talk now

– will talk later

– rise above – you have a
destiny to fulfil

Why is it important to make
a stand to honour our
leader?

Impt – make a **stand** – sake of
our children – peo **under** us

Aaron – do not know how to
make a **stand** – Exo 32 22

People grumbled – Aaron gave
them a golden calf

Ans – the people made me do it

Becos Aaron didn't make a

stand for Moses – **two sons**
observing

As dad has no respect for his
leader, they too have no respect
for the leader

Eventually – burnt – strange fire –
no respect for the instruction – fire
from altar of burnt offering

**You need leaders that have gone
ahead of you, that would *inspire*
you to rise up to a higher level.**

Why is it important to have
leaders who are above us in
everyway?

3 man – violent raging river,
strength to make it across – God
big arm – strong leg 2 hrs
strength and tools – boat – 1 hr
strength tools and intelligent –
woman – map – walk 5 minutes
upstream – bridge

**Some - must be the riches;
smartest,**

-talk all time – giving advice –
must have all the ideas –
insecure - **You need ahead** –
lift you up higher

**We need leaders who have
gone on head** of you – that
they may a inspiration to us

You don't want to be jealous of
leaders that are **better** off than
you

Oh why is he using a NIKE shoe
when can use a cheaper one

Oh why eat chicken rice when I
am only eating mixed rice

– only limiting yourself – rob of
your own blessings and calling
(Judas)

Daniel – man of excellence - if
you study his life – excellent
friends – 3 heb teen –
eventually rose higher than
them

– refuse to bow – king's golden
statue - no wonder Dan – person
of excellence – friends of man of
courage

Elisha – Eligah – double portion

Joshua – Moses – mt – close
base of mt

How to come under
mentorship without knowing
the leader personally?

I may not have the privilege of
personal asso with people like

Cho, Billi Graham, Haggin –
but I considered them by
mentor – why -

– read their books - Cho – Billy
Graham – Kenneth Hagin –
John Osborn – listen to their
words

We need teachings – inspire –
stir – vision seeds potential

Amazing – most of the
testimonies that came in are
those that **we** do have have
the privilege of personal
acquaintances – having
dinners or lunches together
But people that are attentive to
the word preached