

Why Some Dreams Will Never Come True

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Introduction: Series Review of Dreaming Again

A. Manage Your Dreams (Part 1)

1. You must learn how to **manage** your dreams without abandoning your principles (Watch your attitude)

Question: How well do you manage your temperament?

- **B. Define Your Dreams (Part 2)**
- 2. You must learn to clearly **define** your dreams and refuse to retreat once you are clear (Watch your choices)

Question: Do you look like where you say you are going?

- C. Adapting to a Bigger Dream (Part 3)
- **D.** Face the Three Things That Can Hinder Your Dreams (Part 4)

Big Question Today: Do you know someone that never reached their dreams?

I. Three Things That Hinders Good People's Dreams

1. They Lack Understanding (Matthew 13:3-4)

- 3 Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: "Behold, a **sower (or farmer)** went out to sow.
- 4 And as he sowed, some seed fell by the **wayside** (or road); and the birds came and devoured them.

Explanation: Matthew 13:18–19

18 "Therefore hear the parable of the sower: 19 When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside.

Question: What didn't you understand that you now understand?

My Answer: The importance of bigger margins (Time, Health, Finances, Emotions)

Question: What would your life be like if you had started managing your time, health, finances, and emotions earlier?





2. They Lack Depth (Matthew 13:5-6)

5 Some fell on stony places (**or rocky places**), where they did not have much earth; and they <u>immediately</u> <u>sprang up because they had no depth of earth</u>. 6 But when the sun was up <u>they were scorched</u>, <u>and</u> <u>because they had no root they withered away</u>.

Explanation: Matthew 13:20-21

20 But he who received the seed on stony places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; 21 yet *he has no root in himself*, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles.

3. They Lack Focus (Matthew 13:7)

Note: The cares of this life and the deceitfulness of riches distract them

7 And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them.

Explanation: Matthew 13:22

22 Now he who received seed among the thorns is he who hears the word, and the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful.

Closing:

II. Three Keys To Reaching Your Dream

Matthew 13:8 But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. 9 He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"

Explanation: Matthew 13:23:

23 But he who received seed on the good ground is **he who hears the word and understands** it, who indeed bears fruit and produces: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty."

- 1. Listening
- 2. Understanding
- 3. Succeeding (Bearing Fruit)

Next Time New Years Eve: "How far do you really want to go"?

Read Ahead: Isaiah 6:8

8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us? "Then I said, "Here am I! Send me."

