

The Principles Session 1

1. We feel deep and profound emotions about our dreams.

"You have made known to me the path of life." Psalm 16:11

2. The dream is built into us; it is the thing we were meant to do.

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born, I set you apart."

Jeremiah 1:5

3. Dreams give us hope and promise.

"Although I am less than the least of all God's people, this grace was given me; to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ..." Ephesians 3:8

The Pitfalls Session 1

Myths and misconceptions about discovering your dream.

1. A dream isn't for people like me.

Truth: The Dream-Giver places dreams within each of us.

"...everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.: Isaiah 43:7

2. A Dream isn't possible for me.

Truth: Everyone has the opportunity to pursue his or her dream.

"What is impossible with men is possible with God." Luke 18:27

The Pattern

1. Discover the Dream.
2. Move Out of the Comfort Zone.
3. Escape the Bullies on the Borderland.
4. Persevere through the Wasteland.
5. Find Sanctuary at the Dream-Giver's invitation.
6. Stand tall against the Giants in the land.
7. Enter the Land of Promise... and look to the horizon for the next dream!

"So here I am today, eighty-five years old!.. Now give me this hill country that the LORD promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the Anakites were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the LORD helping me, I will drive them out just as he said." Joshua 14:10,12

My Own Journey Session 1

1. My personal dream is:

2. For me, the most compelling truth from this session was:

This is because:

3. What I have done to pursue my dream:

4. Obstacles (within me and outside) that have discouraged me from pursuing my dream:

5. Of the seven stages on the journey, I would locate myself:

6. I feel moved and inspired to take the following steps down the road of my Dream Journey:

How:

When:

Who to tell:

Signed:

Date:

My Groups Journey Session 1

1. Do you agree that every person has a dream? Why do you think this is so?

2. Read Genesis 12:1-4 In this conversation between Abram and God, what elements of a dream can you identify?

3. Read Hebrews 11:8-9 Again, what can we learn about dreams? What part does faith play in pursuing a dream?

4. In what ways would your life be different if you began to pursue your dream? What would be exciting for you? What would be challenging for you?

5. What is your greatest hope for this course? What commitments will you make to ensure that the course is as effective as possible for your group?