

The Dream Giver 2 (Bruce Wilkinson)

Introduction

What is God's dream? We tend to spend most of our time focusing on our dreams and our ambitions, but how often do we stop to ask *what is God's dream?* What is the bigger picture of which we are a part? What is it that He would have us do, or better yet, where is it that he would have us go? In this session, we will look at the Great Commission and explore what our response should be to God's dream for the world.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. The closer you get to someone, the more you begin to take interest in what that person values. When have you observed this principle with relationships in your life?
- 2. It would reason that the more you get to know God, the more you would see things as he sees them, the more you would value what He values. Have you seen yourself and your values change as you have grown in your knowledge of God?
- 3. Read Isaiah 6. Isaiah was given the opportunity to see a vision of God and to hear the counsel of God. What was his response to this direct revelation?
- 4. Why would God use us to accomplish His will? Why wouldn't he take care of things Himself?
- 5. Have you ever felt God use you to carry out His will? Have you ever felt Him use you in someone else's life?
- 6. Like Isaiah, how can we get to a point where we surrender ourselves to God's will, whatever it might be?

7. How can we become more aware of God's will?

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:18-20

- 8. What is God's will for the world? What is His dream?
- 9. How will God use you to carry out His will on earth? What part will you play?

THINK ABOUT IT

How will you get involved in God's dream? Where does He want you to go? What does He want you to do? This week, set aside an hour of quiet time to open yourself up to the possibilities.

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

God's dream includes the whole world. One way you could get involved in the world is through Dream for Africa, a faith-based humanitarian organization that focuses on the massive issues of hunger, orphans, poverty, and AIDS in sub-Sahara Africa. Visit the web site www.dreamforafrica.com and consider how you could get involved with what God is doing in Africa.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

