

I believe the scripture; 'That it should be fulfilled'. I believe that Acts 2, the words of Joel, should be fulfilled in every Christian's life. And that the dreams and visions that we have been taught to ignore, God is hungry to see them fulfilled.

And we as leaders, we as other member of the Body of Christ should be about helping others see their dreams and visions fulfilled. The ones we discount, the ones we don't even call dreams and visions.

What would it be like to see a church who fulfilled those words in Acts 2; where the young people shared their visions with each other and then fulfilled them? Where

the old men and their dreams that they thought were dead, actually see them brought back to life and fulfilled.

I have meet many who have had dreams, old people with dreams of seeing people come to the Lord, of being useful to God and have given up on them. Because there's no place for them, there's no way for them. What would happen if we'd loosed them, just like the Holy Spirit loosed those guys in Acts 2.

What were they doing? They were living out a vision that Jesus had put in their hearts. They were living out the reality of what he had spoke to them and what they had seen in their

time of waiting. They were living out a vision and then would go; 'Ha, what you're see before you, these men were saying this, Peter was saying; What you see before you is nothing but the fulfilment of the prophesy of Joel.'

If the very beginning of the Church was about fulfilling dreams and visions why wouldn't the last of the Church be even more so?

Amen!

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Acts 2:14-21



'And it shall come to pass in the last days says God that I will pour out of my Spirit on all flesh, your sons and daughters shall prophesy, young men shall see visions, your old men dream dreams and on my men servants and maid servants I'll pour out my Spirit in those days and they shall prophesy.

I will show signs in the heavens above and on the earth below, blood fire, vapour and smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord.

And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' Acts 2:14-21

This scripture tells us in last days, which are the days from Christ's resurrection until he returns. In these last days, you will dream dreams, your daughters and sons will prophesy. Young men shall see visions, old men dream dreams, maid servants, men servants all of them, and they shall prophesy.

Why is it that we never see any of the young people sharing their visions, sharing their dreams? Old men sharing their dreams? Why is it that we don't see that in what we call the church setting? Why don't we hear these young people prophesying?

Why don't we see those maid servants and men servants or those we thing are to

serve us, in some capacity, why aren't they being freed to prophesy? Why aren't they sharing their dreams and visions?

I think that one of the things that Dana and I love doing is fulfilling other people's desires and dreams. We like to look at their visions and then figure out a way that we can release people into the concept they have in their head of where they want to go, of what they want to do.

A friend and I were in Romania not too long ago. As we began to share from this scripture about people hearing from God and prophesying. Dreaming dreams, having visions. We told the people you

have dreams and vision. God hasn't changed, so what are they?

This one man shared how God had spoke to him that he was supposed to take the land that his family owned and he supposed to make it into a place of community. One of the other people said; 'really'. Then another person spoke up and said; 'Well you know I was told by God I was supposed to help you with your land. I didn't understand what that was'. Another person came out and said; 'You know God has been moving on me that I should find a place that I could work with others and teach them how to grow fruit and vegetables and things'.

Then this room of about twenty people, once one of them shared their vision the whole room found out that they had all

had dreams and visions and that they were tied together.

When we think of dreams and vision sometimes we think of things that are too profound. We try and make them too lofty. We think a dream or vision has to have some great high religious meaning to

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it, instead of it being a dream or a vision. You know your young men will have visions and your old men will dream dreams.

About what?

It doesn't say. It doesn't elaborate on that. Yet all of our small dreams and visions have to do with God, have to do with his kingdom.

I've meet so many young kids and I'll ask them; 'What are you hungry for?'

They will kinda meander around the subject for a minute and then, if you work at them pretty soon they'll begin to share things. 'Well I had this dream or I had this vision one day I was sitting', and they'll begin to explore with their own words what they've had in their heart to do for God, or had in their heart to do for school.

What am I asking them? A very simple question, every time they speak no matter what it is; standing on a soap box in the middle of the gym going; 'Jesus is Lord'. Or to simply helping somebody carry their groceries on a daily basis that they see in and they meet every day as they go to school, or to where ever they are going.

I always ask them; 'Why wouldn't that be God?'

I believe that in reality that is what the Body of Christ needs more than anything is people who will encourage and help others to see their dreams fulfilled. To recognise the importance of their dream or vision.

I have a young brother of mine. I call him a brother because he truly is my family in India and his name is; Anuroop. When I meet Anuroop he was a 'Big Man' in the sense that in India he was the director of a Christian college. He was over two to three hundred churches.

But he had a vision, and his vision was simply to help somebody everyday. As I spent my time with him and encouraging him, saying; 'Why wouldn't that be God?' 'Why would you helping that person be more important or as important as you

ruling all these churches?'

He eventually walked away from the position of director of the college and began making disciples and to walk in an intimacy with God. I just got a message from him today and he says; 'Neil, I'm living in the

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fullness of my vision.' He says; 'Everyday I disciple someone, everyday I'm helping someone find a place where they can live out their dream.'

He didn't say it in exactly those words; because he is Indian. But I got the gist of his message, and I was chuckling because we'd been talking about Acts 2 just before that. I'm thinking, what would it have been like if I had not found a way to encourage

Anuroop to fulfil his dream and vision, because right now as close as we can tell Anuroop has seen somewhere around 300,000 people come to the Lord.

That's just one man. And all we did was encourage him. All we did was say; 'Why wouldn't your dreams and visions be God?'

'Why wouldn't you visiting those people on your mind be God?' 'Why wouldn't your vision of helping this Hindu person with medical bills be God?' 'Why wouldn't simply buying those groceries for that family be God?'

All those little visions. All those little things that came into his heart. All those pictures he saw of things he could do, why wouldn't they be God? How can you find the freedom to walk them out?