

Recap: Review Series

Illus: Groud Hog Day with Bill Murrey

Need: When the dream seems more fantasy than possible. When the dream is in limbo, where your not going anywhere.

Subject: Who do you do when you feel like the dream is not going anywhere?

Text: Genesis 40:1-23

THE DREAM CAUGHT IN LIMBO

When you feel like your dream is not going anywhere...

❶ **Serve Others**: Live beyond yourself (vs.1-8)

- Ask, what next? Not, why this?

2 Core Realities

1. God is working in your circumstances.
2. God is inviting you to join His work around you.

2 Convicting Questions

Q1: Is there a need in this church that has your name on it?

Q2: Who are you helping make their dreams a reality?

- As long as you are caught up in your dream, you're not going to help someone else make sense of theirs.

- Who you help today may help you tomorrow

❷ **Share Your Faith**: Connect people to the Dream Giver. (vs.8)

Don't Forget

1. God's plan for your friends and family is you.
2. The bridge that truth travels over is relationships.

3. People need answers, not arguments.

❸ **Be Known to Others**: Search and listen to wise counsel around you. (vs.9-13, 16-19)

- Be Cautious: Weigh and test everything.

- Stay Open: Sometimes God uses weird experiences.

- Apply: The "one and done" rule.

2 Probing Questions

1. Am I asking the right people?
2. Am I seeking advice or someone who agrees with me?

2 Trustworthy Statements

1. A dream caught in limbo doesn't always mean you made a wrong turn - if God sent you there.
2. A dream caught in limbo sometimes means you made a wrong turn - if you disqualified yourself.

❹ **Don't Forget to Ask**: It's always a no, unless you ask. (vs.14-15, 20-23)

I wish someone would have told me...

1. Sometimes you don't have because you didn't ask.
2. Sometimes we confuse God's "not yet" with a "no".
3. Sometimes we think we have a "not yet" when it's a "no"

Conclusion