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Order of Worship 27 February 2022 The Eighth Sunday after Epiphany

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome Worship in Song Call to Worship Worship in Song

We Listen to the Scriptures

Prayer Sermon Series: Start Dreaming Again Sermon: Part Nine - "One Dream"

We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration The Lord's Prayer We Eat and Drink Together We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life Doxology Blessing and Sending







Pam Eldridge Matthew Gehman Megan Gehman Chuck Harris Pam Hockenbroch Maria Miller Jennifer Shock Lewis Shock Stephanie Wendell

Start Dreaming Again Part Nine-"One Dream" Pastor Kris Beckert

Why does God give us dreams?

The core of every God-given dream:

Genesis 50:15-20 When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "What if Joseph holds a grudge against us and pays us back for all the wrongs we did to him?" ¹⁶ So they sent word to Joseph, saying, "Your father left these instructions before he died: ¹⁷ 'This is what you are to say to Joseph: I ask you to forgive your brothers the sins and the wrongs they committed in treating you so badly.' Now please forgive the sins of the servants of the God of your father." When their message came to him, Joseph wept. ¹⁸ His brothers then came and threw themselves down before him. "We are your slaves," they said. ¹⁹ But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God? ²⁰ You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. ²¹ So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children." And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.

1. Don't pursue a dream at the _____ of people

2. Pursue a dream to be a _____ to people

- Joseph thought dream meant--
- God positioned ______ to be a
- The blessing started with ______

Genesis 12:1-3 The Lord had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. ² "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."

Big Idea: _____

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!



- In what ways do you see how God had grown Joseph since the time he was 17? In what ways have your dreams and perceptions of God matured over time?
- 2. Have you ever been in a situation when someone pursued a dream at the expense of others? What were the consequences?
- 3. Why are the best dreams about blessing others? Has someone else ever blessed you with their blessing?
- 4. Would you agree that some of the times of your greatest spiritual growth came from serving, though you may have felt unprepared? Describe a time.
- 5. In what ways do you see precursors to the Gospel in Joseph's story? How do you see God's actions in this story point toward Jesus?
- 6. From this series, what is something you've learned or God has emphasized for you? What is your biggest "take-away?"

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Kris about your relationship with Christ, please email pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.

