

Title: We Are Dreamers // **Scripture:** Proverbs 29:18

ARRIVAL / SOCIAL TIME *15-20 minutes*

Spend the first 15 minutes or so of your time together catching up and socializing with one another. Also find time to catch up together on how the assignments from last week turned out.

SERMON REVIEW *5-10 minutes*

As a family of churches, the people of Grace are DREAMERS: seeing the invisible, hearing the inaudible, and expecting the impossible. This Sunday, Ben Hardman from Grace Marietta, explored how we dream, where our vision comes from, and what it looks like when a family of churches begins to dream God-sized dreams.

Vision begins with God's revelation, so we start dreaming by listening to God and going where he leads. It is not just what we see when we dream, it's how we see those dreams becoming reality. Vision from God includes everyone, not just a chosen few, doing the work of God together. It requires the conviction that God will truly speak and move. Vision gives direction for what God is doing now and about to do next. Vision calls for imagination so that our conviction about where God is leading us corporately is relevant in our current context.

When we dream together, both individually and corporately—making space for dreamers to see and hear—we not only begin to hear God more clearly, but we also begin to help others obey God more consistently. As we hear and obey together, we become a community of dreamers who respond to God's leading in ways that awaken Kingdom dreams and allow our "young people to see visions and our older people to dream dreams"!

THE MAIN THOUGHT *keep this in mind as you facilitate discussion*

Godly vision is a picture of what God wants to do in us now and through us next.

SEE IT – Questions *10-15 minutes*

Picture (What is the story saying?): Why is it so important to make space for people to dream and to hear from God? How do apostles and prophets ensure that the community of God hears and follows the voice of God? What is the outcome of godly dreaming?

Mirror (Where am I in the story?): How are you still dreaming? Do you feel like you are lagging behind or getting ahead of God? Why? If you sense roadblocks to hearing from God, what are they and how can you invite God to break down barriers in your heart?

Window (How does the story change how I see those around me?): Are you surrounded by people who are hearing from God and obeying his voice? Who are the people around you that God is inviting you to disciple into discerning the Good News that God is dreaming for them?

BE IT – Practice

Change UP // Exercise *5 minutes*

Have each person share their favorite story from the Bible of how God's Spirit spoke and moved among his people. Pray and thank God for speaking and moving in the past. Ask him to move in your group in the future.

Change IN // Group Activity *5 minutes*

God challenges us to be Present, Patient, and Perceptive as we dream Kingdom dreams. On a piece of blank paper, write out which of those three words God has impressed most on your heart. Write three ways God is inviting you to be Present and available, Patient and accessible, or Perceptive and aware of his visions and dreams for you.

Change OUT // Life Application Assignment *5 minutes*

As you move in your sphere of influence this week, ask God to impress on your heart three of your family members, friends and neighbors, and/or coworkers and clients. Commit to asking those three people, this week, what their dream for the future is. Listen for God's voice to give you good news for them that will help them begin dreaming, risk disappointment as they dream, or start moving to make their dream a reality.

CLOSING PRAYER *5 minutes*

Take a few minutes to gather any prayer requests and pray for each other to SEE IT and BE IT this week.