

FROM **DREAM** TO **DESTINY**
FULFILLING GOD'S PURPOSE FOR YOUR LIFE

The Pride Test

Focus God has a dream and a destiny for every person, but we must pass some tests before we can fulfill our destiny.

Open What is one of your happiest moments in life?

Read Every person has a God-given dream and destiny. Many people live *with* the dream instead of living *in* their destiny. The key to knowing God's dream for your life is knowing God—the One Who can reveal and fulfill it (Numbers 12:6-8).

Before we can fulfill our destiny, we must pass some tests as Joseph did in the book of Genesis. The first is the pride test. When you receive a dream from God, don't brag about it like Joseph did! Bragging reveals that there is pride in our heart. Insecurity is the root of pride. If pride is in your heart, insecurity is in your soul. Understanding that you're a child of God will deal with insecurity in your soul; remembering that you are adopted and saved by God's grace deals with pride in your heart.

Talk

1. How does God show us His dream for our lives (Numbers 12:6-8)? How can we be sure our dream is from God?
2. Read Matthew 12:34 and 15:18. In what way do our words reveal what's in our heart? What does pride sound like?

3. Why do you think God will not allow us to reach our destiny when there is pride in our heart? (Read Psalm 10:4, Proverbs 11:2, 13:10, 29:23 and James 4:6.)
4. “The dream and our destiny are not the same thing. The dream is what starts us on the path to our destiny.” – Pastor Robert Morris In what way are the dream and destiny different from one another? What is the purpose of each?
5. How do we allow God to deal with pride and insecurity in our lives?

Live

1. Why is it so important for our identity to be in Christ and not in what we do, especially as it relates to fulfilling God’s destiny for our lives?
2. If you do not have a dream in your heart, ask one or two people in the group to pray with you to ask God to reveal His dream for you this week.

Pray

Thank God that He does His work in and through us. Thank Him that He has a purpose—a dream and a destiny—for you. If the Holy Spirit is showing you that you are carrying pride in your heart, repent and ask the Lord to forgive you. Submit your life and your dream to Him. Invite the Holy Spirit to lead you into all truth and empower you to live for God’s purposes alone.