# PUT YOUR DREAM TO THE TEST

10 QUESTIONS to Help You See It and Seize It

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**Chapter 5** The Pathway Question

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#### THE PATHWAY QUESTION

Do I Have A Strategy To Reach My Dream?

Securing your dream requires a plan!

What do you have to do in order to begin your journey to the fulfillment of your dream?

#### HOW TO SECURE YOUR DREAM

"Saddle your dreams before you ride them." – Mary Webb

1. State All Your \_\_\_\_\_.

Your journey begins by evaluating where you are. Describe the place where you are right now?

What will my dream look like when I have achieved it?

What steps do I have to take to go from where I am to where I need to be?



"Everyone who got to where they are had to begin where they were." – Richard Evans

2. Examine All Your \_\_\_\_\_.

Actions that you do every day are the determining factor in achieving your goals. Ask yourself these questions:

What actions am I doing daily that are distracting me from my dream?

What actions am I doing daily that are bringing me closer to my dream?

3. Consider All Your \_\_\_\_\_.

What are your options concerning your methods in achieving your dream?

Once your plan is realized, don't be quick to revise your dream, but what options do you have to revise your plan?



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4.	Utilize	All	Your	

How can you utilize resources available to you to implement your plan?

Discuss how John carefully put together a plan for his book to become a best seller.

What is available to you?

What assets to you possess?

Who can help you?

5. Remove All \_\_\_\_\_\_.

What is your greatest challenge?

What are the obvious daily things you need to give up?

What are the good things that you need to give up in your life that you like but won't help you?



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6. Embrace All Your \_\_\_\_\_.

What needs to be changed?

How can you change it?

"Between saying and doing many a pair of shoes is worn out." – Italian Proverb

- **SECURE = S** State all your positions
  - **E** Examine all your actions
  - C Consider all your options
  - U Utilize all your resources
  - **R** Remove all your non-essentials
  - E Embrace all your challenges

"A sensible man watches for problems ahead and prepares to meet them." King Solomon

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#### **APPLICATION: The Pathway Question**

Rate how well you are doing: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10

Questions to answer in your journal:

- Have others used the same or a similar strategy for achieving their dreams?
- Is there an out-of-the-box solution that you haven't previously considered?
- Which of the steps or goals in the plan make the most of your strengths and talents?
- Which of these steps will be the most difficult to accomplish and why?
- When you calculate the total amount of time that will be required to accomplish the dream, what is your response? Is it worth it?
- If it takes you longer than you calculate to achieve your dream, at what point would it no longer be worth pursuing?
- What resources that you currently don't possess will be difficult to acquire?
- Have you included a strategy for acquiring those resources as part of your plan?
- How will you keep yourself on track as you pursue your strategy?

Discuss your plans with the Mastermind next week.

Read Chapter 6 for the next meeting.

Chapter 6 The People Question

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#### THE PEOPLE QUESTION

Have I Included The People I Need To Realize My Dream?

"A dream is a compelling vision you see in your heart that's too big to accomplish without the help of others." – Chris Hodges

Why is it more effective when other people can help you do a better job than you can do alone?

What is the difference between having a compelling vision that you can accomplish alone versus a vision that requires other people?

#### WHO SHOULD BE ON YOUR DREAM?

What happens when you have a dream but no team?

What might happen when you have a dream, but people are not on board with you?

## **Chapter 6** The People PUT YOUR DREAM to the test Question What is the result of having a dream and having a great and supportive team behind you? Several Qualities of People needed on your dream team: D – \_\_\_\_\_\_ to focus on your significance, not simply on your success. **R** – \_\_\_\_\_\_ to your ideas with respect, not disgust or contempt. **E** – \_\_\_\_\_ the best. A – \_\_\_\_\_ your talents and abilities. M – \_\_\_\_\_ learning and growth opportunities to improve the dream and the dreamer. T – \_\_\_\_\_\_ to give honest feedback **E** – \_\_\_\_\_\_ you unconditionally and without judgment to help you persevere. A – \_\_\_\_\_ only excellence, since mediocrity kills dreams. M – \_\_\_\_\_\_ the most of your mistakes and failures.

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• My Dream Team Includes People Who Inspire Me

Why is it important to have people on your team that inspire you?

What are the drawbacks from people who might be a weight rather than a sail?

My Dream Team Includes People Who Are \_\_\_\_\_\_ with Me

Explain why it is important for people to be honest with you rather than tell you what you want to hear?

My Dream Team Includes People Whose \_\_\_\_\_ Complement Mine

Why are people whose skills complement yours essential as opposed to having people who are like-minded?

A true leader discovers the dream and finds the people. Why is it important for followers to find the leader rather than finding the dream first?



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#### To Recruit the Team, Transfer the Vision

Three ways to Transfer your dream:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ – Your ability to communicate is necessary.

How can you logically transfer your dream realistically to your team? Why is it important to have a sound strategy for your team?

2. \_\_\_\_\_ – Your ability to connect emotionally.

• Show them the dream from their perspective.

Even though your team might not resist your dream, how can you connect with them emotionally, to ensure compliance?

• Show them your heart.

How important is being transparent and authentic when communicating your dream to your team?

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To transfer your dream, why is it important to share your hope and enthusiasm?

• Show them the benefits.

Your dream should benefit others. How will my dream benefit other people?

3. <u>Visually</u> – Your ability to bring your dream to life.

People do what people see.

How will you demonstrate what you want from your people?

#### **Dream Caster**

How did Winston Churchill's speech impact the young men going into battle on the beaches of Normandy?

Have you included the people you need to realize your dream?

"The size of your dream determines the size of the people who will be attracted to it."

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Questions to answer in your journal:

- When you think about your dream, do you naturally think about the inclusion of other people?
- If not, what can you do to make yourself more people oriented?
- How could the pursuit of your dream benefit the people who might help you achieve it?
- How can you make the adjustments or additions to your dream to make it more beneficial for others who help you?
- Are there people you could help with their dreams that would benefit you at the same time?
- How can you increase your network so that you have a greater pool to draw from?
- Who helps to support you emotionally so that you have what you need to keep going in pursuit of the dream?
- What can you do to minimize the impact of negative people on you?
- How can you make sure the pursuit of your dream is beneficial for your family?

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