Pastor's Weekly Devotional- August 11, 2016

"A Word About Dreaming"

Everyone sometimes or another has a dream. Tyrants and unethical businessmen dream. So do thieves and murderers. The "Birdman of Alcatraz" was obsessed with the dream of escaping. Alexander the Great was consumed with his dream of conquest.

But our dreams have to be different. A "good dream" according to the Bible has certain ingredients – Truth, Honesty, Justice, Purity, Lovely, Admirable and Virtuous. Read Philippians 4:8.

The dreams of those not committed to Christ stand in stark contrast to the qualities listed above. For those who trust Christ as Lord and Savior, it is not how successful we are, but how faithful we are to the principles we know to be right.

So, don't neglect to dream...and <u>dream big!!</u> Little is ever accomplished that is first not envisioned. The writer of Proverbs puts it even more strongly: "Where there is no vision the people perish" (29:18).

Jesus Himself was a visionary. The nature of His dream involved "the whole world." ... "for God so loved the world." Still, the whole world did not accept Him. And it is the same today. So what's my point? As someone has said: "Reach for the sky and if you can't, take the stars instead." Jesus did!!

Whatever you can do, or dream you can, begin to do it....Remember that "You can do all things through the power of Jesus Christ."

Have a blessed week! Pastor Sewdin