



**Scriptures and Doctrine :: Dreams = Sin ?**

**Dreams = Sin ? - posted by IWantAnguish (), on: 2009/11/17 10:07**

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**Re: Dreams = Sin ? - posted by sojourner7 (), on: 2009/11/17 10:59**

First, GOD has a definite purpose and will for your life. Discover this and pursue it with a passion. You are flesh and blood, and you are going to have desires. Continue to pray for the Spirit's leading and follow it. If marriage is in GOD'S plans for your life; GOD will reveal that in HIS time to her as well!

**Re: Dreams = Sin ? - posted by Logic, on: 2009/11/17 12:20**

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No.

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One is able to choose to have faith, one is not able to choose their dreams.

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Do you REALLY want to commit sin?

If so, you would be able to admit it if it were true (at least, admit to your self).

However, if your heart is true and you can surely say that you do not want to commit sin, then it is not in your heart, which is what really matters to God.

Your flesh, however, will take pleasure in anything because of the senses. The flesh is amoral; it takes pleasure in what

ever & however, good or bad, morally or immorally for it has no mind to discern.

The flesh was created week from the beginning, in the Garden. It was never meant to be used as strength for resisting sin. It is one of the very reasons that Adam fell, lust of the flesh (1John 2:16)...

This is unchangeable, it will remain the same even after we are saved; the flesh needs to be done away with. That will happen in the resurrection

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Dreams are nothing to be forgiven of.

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I never want to and never will.

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Well, for starters, if you both want to get married, go ahead (only if she is also a Christian).

Some people actually guess on God's will. They will say, maybe God wants this or that, and they go on and do what God maybe had said.

Or, they look for things and say, "Maybe it's a sign from God."

Some People also use the thing which they read in the Bible and use that to guide them, as in: Judges 6:37-40.

Don't rely on "fleece", unless they are miraculous fleeces as the one in Judges 6:37-40.

So, if there is any doubt at all, it is best to keep doing what you are already doing and trust that God will direct your paths without your guesses. It is like you steering a parked car, it can't be done, for it must be moving.

You might think that what you choose to do is not His "perfect will" or that you are presuming on God and doing your own thing. Remember that when we were not Christian, our desires were our own and were selfish. However, when we became saved, our desires turned from our own desires to God's and are now unselfish. Before we were saved we never desired to do anything with God but now our desires are only with Him and for His glory.

There might be times that you just don't know what to do. It is when God seems to be silent for some reason. You don't think you can keep doing what you are already doing for any reason and trust that God will direct your paths. You might be at a cross road, a dead end, or you are afraid to move forward in any decision. In these times, give yourself to the Lord in submission and full Faith. You must trust God that He is good and He will guide you through this time of indecision. Always remember that whatever the outcome is, even if it is unfavorable, it is His perfect will, ONLY if you do everything in righteousness, which you are able to do.

Furthermore, when these times come, remember the cross. The cross is where we find the difference between His will and ours. Some people have asked, "What does the cross actually mean?"

A good way to think about what the cross means is that no one can stay alive being crucified on the cross; you will die if you stay hanging on the cross. Just like in real life, we must die daily carrying our cross. The cross is actually where GOD wants us anyway. It means not your own will or your own life but God's life in you.

**Re: - posted by IWantAnguish (), on: 2009/11/17 12:36**

Amen. We are called to present our bodies as living sacrifices.

Thanks for the responses.

**Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2009/11/17 13:46**

Greetings

I was actually thinking about this question not to long ago. I have had dreams before that were very disturbing to me, and that when I woke up I felt an overwhelming need to pray and repent for the thoughts in my dream. Often I will have the verse to take every thought captive come into my mind. I think that there are times when things that I have read or maybe seen at some time often come through in my dreams and so I have felt the need to repent of those things. Not so much the dream I suppose but of having read or view certain things that came through in the dream?? I think there is also a big difference in the kinds of dreams, I think daydreaming or fantasy dreaming is something we are accountable for? Does that make sense???

This is a very good question and one that i am seeking to understand in the Lord. Thank you for posting

God Bless  
mj

**Re: , on: 2009/11/17 16:13**

Mother was telling me recently how she would dream about her husband (who has died several years ago now). He would be all that he was with her, demanding, controlling, violent with her and it bothered her very much. So she determined within herself not to have these dreams and she would pray before bed and when the dream would come back, she'd stop it from continuing. She said she had good results from that determination, she no longer dreams those dreams.

**Re: Dreams = Sin ? - posted by HomeFree89 (), on: 2009/11/17 16:24**

IWantAnguish,

I don't know the answer to your question. However, I'd like to suggest something if I may...

You might consider listening to the Bible or a godly book (I've used the Pilgrim's Progress) while dropping off to sleep. That helped me a lot when first saved. It focused my thoughts on right and pure things. I would wake up in the morning thinking about what the Lord showed me the night before as I meditated on His Word, etc.

**Re: - posted by MaryJane, on: 2009/11/17 18:38**

Greetings HomeFree89

I to began reading my Bible and spending more time in prayer before bed. I use to read the news before going to bed( I do not read news or watch it at all anymore) and always had really disturbing dreams. Now I that I spend time in prayer and the Word it has really made a huge difference. When I first wake up in the morning I spend time in prayer also, seeking Him for what He has for me to be about through out the day.

God bless  
mj

**Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2009/11/17 21:03**

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In answer to this question, I would have to say 'yes'.

My reply which follows is just a general answer to the question about the seriousness of dreams.

Most people dream when sleeping but most dreams are forgotten upon awakening. A person can dream about all kinds of things: some funny, some serious, some extremely confusing, some involve sin, any kind of sin. All kinds of dreams. I dream all night long - I think. Upon rising, they are lost to my memory. Most dreams are innocuous, but occasionally there are those that make one sit up and notice that "hey! something is wrong here!" When this happens to me, I have something serious to pray about. To me, when the dream involves me getting involved in sin I always felt like there is sin hidden in the deepest recesses of my heart that has never been dealt with. (I remember well resisting a temptation in my dream and what a joy that evoked in my spirit - all while dreaming!)

I am sharing what has happened to me and I consider myself quite normal. I cannot speak for you or tell you what your dream was wrong. That is for the Holy Spirit to tell you. (Perhaps some godly male can weigh in on this in a PM to you.) All I know is the LORD works in some very interesting ways and that one cannot escape from the working of the Holy Spirit by sleeping!

I should also say I do not put much stock in dreams. Rarely have I sensed the LORD using dreams to speak prophetically to me. I have read of dreams which the dreamer believed was prophetic and I wonder....I won't judge, but too many of them appears to me like they are straining at a gnat and are swallowing a camel.

Blessings,  
ginnyrose aka Sandra

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All sin is repentantable.  
In order to repent, you must never do that sin again, otherwise you did not repent of it.

If you can't truly repent of an of a thing because you have no control over it, then it is not a sin.

How do you repent of a dream?

One has no control over dreams therefore dreams can not be sinful; though you sin within a dream, there is no need to repent of it because you can't repent of it.

**Re: Dreams = Sin ? - posted by elharris, on: 2009/11/18 19:37**

It is very common for devil spirits to attack people with certain kinds of "dreams".

It used to happen to me all the time, and finally realizing what it truly was, I would wake up very angry, that they took advantage of me in my sleep, and rebuke them strongly in the name of Jesus Christ.

They stopped after that.

It's not "you", it's "them", and they love to mess with believers in that way. If they can get you to thinking it's just you, they can get you all condemning yourself, for something they instigated.

Please check these teachings out, they will really help you walk in the power of the holy spirit, they have helped me very much.

[http://spiritlessons.com/Documents/Healing/JGL/JGL\\_Ministries.htm](http://spiritlessons.com/Documents/Healing/JGL/JGL_Ministries.htm)