

Created to Dream

Part Two- Taking the Initiative

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*God... gives a fresh start to those who are ready to quit.
(Psalms 145:14, The Message Bible)*

'S' SEIZE THE MOMENT

*As Jesus... left town, a great crowd was following, and a blind beggar named Bartimaeus was sitting beside the road as Jesus was going by. When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus was nearby, he began to shout, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!
(Mark 10:46-47, New Living Translation)*

*No procrastination, no backwards looks. You can't put God's kingdom off until tomorrow. Seize the day.
(Luke 9:62, MSG)*

Question:

What have you been putting off?

*Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day may bring.
(Proverbs 27:1, New International Version)*

'T' TAME YOUR FEAR

*Many of the people scolded him and told him to be quiet. But he shouted even more loudly, 'Have mercy on me!
(Mark 10:48, Good New Translation)*

*The fear of human opinion disables; trusting in God protects you from that.
(Proverbs 29:25, MSG)*

'A' ANNOUNCE YOUR FAITH

Throwing his [coat] aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus. "What do you want me to do for you?" Jesus asked him. The blind man said, "Rabbi, I want to see.

(Mark 10:50-51, NIV)

*What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them?
(James 2:14, NIV)*

R' RECEIVE GOD'S GRACE

*"Go," said Jesus, "your faith has healed you." Immediately he received his sight...
(Mark 10:52, NIV)*

*We believe that we are saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus.
(Acts 15:11, New American Standard Bible)*

Questions:

Have you tried asking God for help?

Have you tried receiving God's grace and letting Him take control?

'T' TAKE THE NEXT STEP

*...Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.
(Mark 10:52, NIV)*