

REINVENT YOU: SHOOT FOR THE STARS!

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE

II Kings 13:14-19

ADDITIONAL STUDY

Zechariah 2:1-5, Isaiah 54:2-3, & Philippians 4:13

PRAYER POINT

- + Ask for grace to push through the frontiers of your limitations and transcend them.
- + Pray against every average dream and the reluctance to push for more.
- + Ask that everything in you will begin to shape up and align to the exceeding abundance realm God can take you to.

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© 2017. PASTOR WALE AFELUMO ALL RIGHTS RESERVED Then he said, "Take the arrows"; so he took *them*. And he said to the king of Israel, "Strike the ground"; so he struck three times, and stopped. And the man of God was angry with him, and said, "You should have struck five or six times; then you would have struck Syria till you had destroyed *it...*"
II Kings 13:18-19

This idiom, "Shoot for the stars," basically means to set one's goals or ambitions very high; to try to attain or achieve something particularly difficult. It was Norman Vincent Peale who said, "Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars." In your bid to reinvent you, how high are you aiming? How far do you intend to go? How radical is the change you desire? Are your goals tamed, or are you pushing your limits by them?

The challenge today's topic throws at you is to dream big and plan big, to aspire to be all God says you can be. This is important because you send a signal to the whole of your being to work together to achieve that aspiration. Your mind begins to think differently, you begin to talk differently, you assess your associations, and make investments accordingly.

The good thing with aiming very high like Norman Vincent Peale advises, is that if you happen to miss the target, at least you would have gotten close to it. The person who tries to stone an airplane in the air would more likely have his stone go further than one who tries to stone a bird perched on a tree. What if you hit your target? What if you achieve that height? What if what you thought was impossible became possible? If you hit the target you set now, would you be happy or wished that you had set a higher target?

Prophet Elisha was very angry with the king of Israel who when given the opportunity to strike the ground as a sign to destroy his enemies only struck it thrice. What that king did is what most people do, that is, set average goals they think are achievable because they are too timid or afraid to venture great things. Their past failures, unpleasant experiences, history, and background have conditioned their ability to dream big. Many have resigned to where they are, unwilling to aspire, but that is not God's will for us.

Hear what God says, "Open your mouth wide and I will fill it" (Psalm 81:10). Again Ephesians 3:20 says, "He is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think..." It appears to me that there is no dream too big that God can't fulfill; no target too high that He can't hit, and no bill too much that He can't pay as long as the bill is His will.

So what are you waiting for, how far can you see? Get in God and formulate those dreams that the Spirit impresses upon your heart for all you can become in God. You have more talents and abilities than you realize you have; don't settle for less than all you can become. Shoot for the stars!