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a glimpse of Life!



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He is Able to Accomplish Infinitely More



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It was a discipleship camp for only 30 campers. It was a small event for youth who are leaders, an encouragement to go deeper in their faith, to train and equip them to make a difference in their school campuses by instilling a passion for evangelism. It was an event to teach them to see with eternal eyes, a time to not only learn to resist temptation, but a time to get m.a.d. – *make a difference*.

There were lots of bible studies, worship times, campfires, testimonies and training. There were no hotels, not even camp cabins. But the small group all camped out in tents. As predicted, it rained one night, but the students ate it up.

As time went by they began sharing about their own friends and how they wanted them to know Christ. A passion was stirring and they began realizing that the best thing they could ever do is share Christ with their friends.

The Vision

Together, they discussed strategies of how to reach their friends, or maybe a whole class. Then people began to have visions of how they could reach their whole school for Christ. In fact, why not reach the whole state and allow every student, in a relational setting, to hear a clear and personal presentation of the Gospel. It's the true story of a personal Jesus who loves them and wants to spend eternity with them and wants to impact their world so they can make a difference in the lives of their friends and school. Then someone posed the question, "Why just our state? Let's reach our country so that the people we reach can reach the world for Christ."

Then a loud and boisterous 17 year old kid stood to his feet. I knew this kid. I knew he wasn't even walking strong in his faith. He was compromising and drinking a lot in high school, among other offenses. But as he stood to his feet he was compelled to yell out, "Yeah, let's do it! Let's reach all 50 states!"

In their zeal, the students began drafting up a covenant that stated, "We, the undersigned, vow to commit our lives to Jesus and pledge to allow God to use us to reach our friends, campuses, state and country – all 50 states for the gospel. We vow to link our arms with others in love that they would know who we serve and that we are his disciples."

All 30 signed it. As they did, the speaker thought, maybe it was worth the time and effort after all, even if it was just for 30 kids.

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The Vision Fulfilled

I'm so glad that he and God felt it was worth it. Why? Because this snapshot is about me. No, I wasn't the speaker. I was the boisterous kid who yelled, "Yeah, let's reach all 50 states!" I answered the call that day when I was 17 years old in June of 1980 and sincerely said, "God I want to share about you and your love in all 50 states." So 28 years later on May 21, 2008, I spoke in Saco, Maine – the last of the 50 states.

Ironically, 30 youth received Christ that night. It's so humbling that God honored a 17-year-old's prayer, and that by God's grace he has allowed me to be used to lead people to Christ in all 50 states. He truly has done infinitely more than I could have ever dared to ask or imagine (Eph. 3:20).

So I ask you to celebrate with us, as this year I've been able to speak to more than 364,000 people and have seen more than 13,000 people come to faith. That's 35 a day. I know it's a God thing, despite me and my weaknesses. But after all this time he has increased my passion and my love for youth. My desire to tell others about His love only grows. I couldn't do it without you. Thanks for your part in this exciting milestone of the ministry of Life Promotions.

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