# **Dream Killers and Life Suckers Part 2**

Meaning of Excuses: attempt to lessen the blame, seek to defend or justify, release from a duty or requirement.

He that is good for making excuses is seldom good for anything else.

A lot of excuses are rooted in fear and insecurities.

We as individuals have become skillful at picking from a wide range of excuses to limit our capabilities.

## **Exodus 3:1-10**

A life changing God encounter that cannot speak false but truth and guidance.

## **The Undeniable Encounter**

The burning and unconsumed bush.

Verse 2

• The calling of his name: Moses no one else.

Verse 4

The very presence of God.

Verse 5

• Identifying Himself to Moses.

Verse 6

The plan and vision were given.

Verses 7-10

The Perfect plan with God's guidelines, protection, and provision. Wouldn't we all like a laid-out Plan?

#### **Exodus 3:10**

It's not about who you are, it's about whose you are.

God will never ask you to do something He hasn't already done or send you where He hasn't already been.

Moses God encounter should have been filled with excitement, but instead was filled with excuses.

Excuses steal your dreams, kill your drive, robs your pockets, and leaves you empty handed.

## **Exodus 4:10-13**

Excuses rooted in fear and insecurities, what is yours that you think God can't fix?

God will never put you in a place of embarrassment, defeat, or the inability to do it.

Excuses must be confronted, recognized, and identified to be successful in your life.

If you really knew who you are in Christ, excuses will disappear, and dreams and goals will happen.

# Steps to Excuse Breaking and Dream Making.

• Replace your fears with faith.

Faith focuses on God; fear focuses on the problem.

• Stop blaming others.

**Genesis 3:12-13** 

• Stop saying "I can't". Jeremiah 1:6

It's not that Jeremiah couldn't speak, it's that he wouldn't speak for the Lord.

## The "I can't" list.

- I can't, stop overeating.
- I can't, find the time to pray.
- I can't, communicate with my spouse.
- I can't, discipline my kids.
- I can't, believe God for His promises.

If you're honest you know these statements are not true, they are nothing more than weak excuses.

# Jeremiah 1:7&8

## Philippians 4:13

Don't focus on your weaknesses but focus on God.

What you focus on pulls you in the direction of your focus.

## I John 4:4-6

Don't listen to the voice of the world's view, listen to Gods view about you.

• Take action steps every day.

Action steps is progress, progress leads to results.

#### **James 2:14**

Faith is a verb, it is action, it is doing, and achieving.

If what you are called to do or thinking about doing wasn't scary would it really be faith?

Successful people take action, they don't sit around making excuses, they have the courage to achieve all that God has for them.

Do you want a better marriage? Do you want to be a better parent?

Do you want to be in better shape?

Do you want to strengthen your walk with

Do you want your finances in order? the Lord?

Then stop making excuses.

If you are going to stop making excuses than stop thinking about it, quit talking about it, and as Nike says: "Just Do It".