The Lakeside



Verse of the day for Monday September 22, 2025 - Acts 26: 28-29

28 Then Agrippa said to Paul, "Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?"

29 Paul replied, "Short time or long—I pray to God that not only you but all who are listening to me today may become what I am, except for these chains."

Read Acts 26 for meditation and inspiration.



WHEN DREAMS COME TRUE

Dear Lakesiders and Friends,

When you think about dreams, "When You Wish Upon a Star" may come to mind. "When You Wish Upon a Star" is widely considered as the signature song of The Walt Disney Company and is often used as such in the production logos at the beginning of many Disney films. Composed by Leigh Harline with lyrics written by Ned Washington, it was performed in the opening credits of the movie by the character, Jiminy Cricket, who was voiced by Cliff Edwards.

When you wish upon a star
Makes no difference who you are
Anything your heart desires
Will come to you

If your heart is in your dream No request is too extreme When you wish upon a star As dreamers do

Fate is kind She brings to those who love The sweet fulfillment of Their secret longing

Like a bolt out of the blue Fate steps in and sees you through When you wish upon a star Your dreams come true!

It is said that those who dream by day know many things that escape those who dream only by night. In other words, one way to make your dreams come true is to wake up and do something about them.

Some dreams come true, but what do you do with a broken dream? After all the events of Holy Week with the Resurrection, which they found impossible to believe, behind them, two disciples are on the road out of Jerusalem to Emmaus. This road has been excavated, and today visitors to the Holy Land can walk along the same route the two disciples took so long ago. Most will never share the disciples' experience in this physical way. But most of us can probably say that we've had our own share of the emotional and spiritual drain they experienced as they walked along their street of broken dreams.

They had been part of a glorious dream until this time. They had been with Jesus. They felt their hearts warmed by His Presence. They heard Him teach, preach and heal but it all was over now. Dreams had been dashed on the desert rocks of the Judean hills.

But a man appeared and walked with them, a man whom they did not recognize until he broke bread with them and their eyes were opened. He then opened their minds as told in Luke 24:44-49:

"Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city, until you are clothed with power from on high."

Dreams are only thoughts without power until you put them into action. They are only figments of thought until you allow them to work through you. So pass on the Word to Lakeside and on to your families, to your neighborhood, to West Palm Beach, to Jerusalem, and to all the nations of the earth.

Dreams will come true!

Roger