



YOUR FUTURE = OUR FUTURE GETTING WHERE YOU WANT TO BE

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GENESIS 24:1-57

1. DETERMINE YOUR PRESENT POSITION.

Ask • Where *Am I Now*

- What *Would I Like To Change*

Gen. 24:1 Abraham was now old and well advanced in years, and the Lord had blessed him in every way.

2. YOU DESCRIBE EXACTLY WHAT YOU WANT

Gen. 24:3-4 Don't get a wife for my son from the Canaanite girls who live around here. Instead, go back to my country, to the land of my relatives and get a wife for my son Isaac.

- Ask • What do I want to *Be*
- What do I want to *Do*
 - What do I not have that I would like to **have** in ten years?
 - Why *Do I Want it*

Gen. 24:5 The servant asked Abraham, "What if the woman is unwilling to leave her home and come back with me to this land?"

3. YOU NEED TO FIND A PROMISE FROM GOD

Gen. 24:7 Abraham said "The Lord brought me from the land of my relatives to this land and he SOLEMNLY PROMISED me that he would give this land to my descendants. So, he will send his angel before you, so that you can get a wife there for my son." (NCV)

4. ASK GOD FOR HELP

Gen. 24:12 Then Eliazar prayed, 'O Lord, God of my master Abraham. 'Give me success and show this kindness to my master, Abraham. Help me to accomplish the purpose of my journey.' (NLT)

Hebrews 4:16 So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it. (NLT)

5. IDENTIFY THE BARRIERS

Ask : Why

vs. 21 - Finding the right girl

vs. 58 - Getting her to say yes in faith

vs. 49 - Getting the parent consent

6. CREATE A STEP BY STEP PLAN

Ask • How *Will We Do It*

- How *Long Will It Take*

7. BE PATIENT AND PERSISTENT

Hab. 2:3 These things I plan won't happen right away. Slowly, steadily, surely, the time approaches when the vision will be fulfilled. If it seems slow, do not despair, for these things will surely come to pass. Just be patient! They will not be overdue a single day!" (LB)

8. ENLIST A TEAM FOR SUPPORT

Eccles. 4:12 One person standing alone is easily attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three people are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken." (NLT)

9. PAY THE PRICE

Gen 24:53 Then Eliazar brought out gold and silver and articles of clothing and gave them to Rebekah; he also gave expensive gifts to her brother and her mother."

Ask • What *Will It Cost*

- What *Am I Will To Give*

- Is it *Worth The Cost*

But – most of all - be open to whatever changes God wants to make in our life.