

PURSUING HIGH DEF LIVING II
Living In HD - Part 4b
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High Def living is a life-long FAITH pursuit!

Romans 4:20 (TEV) *“His (Abraham’s) faith did not leave him, and he did not doubt God’s promise; his faith filled him with power, and he gave praise to God.”*

HOW TO PURSUE HIGH DEF LIVING ...

1. BELIEVE GOD HAS A PLAN FOR YOU.

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV) *“ ‘For I know the plans I have for you,’ declares the LORD, ‘plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.’ ”*

How Do You Discover God’s Plan?

- Dare to ASK

Ephesians 3:20 (TLB) *“Now glory be to God, who by His mighty power at work within us is able to do far more than we would ever dare to ask or even dream of--infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, or hopes.”*

**What would you attempt for God
if you knew you couldn’t fail?**

- Believe God’s PROMISES

Jeremiah 32:27 (NLT) *“I am the LORD, the God of all the peoples of the world. Is anything too hard for Me?”*

- Dream BIG

Psalms 2:8 (NIV) *“Ask of Me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.”*

The size of your God should
Determine the size of your goal.

Two Critical Questions...

How much TIME do you have to give to it?

ANSWER: The REST of your LIFE!

What are you really SHAPED to do?

Stress is when you try to BE

SOMETHING you aren't.

2. BE WILLING TO RISK FAILURE.

Acts 15:26 (NASB95) *"They were...men who have **ris**ked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."*

Daniel 3:17-18 (NIV) *"If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to save us from it, and He will rescue us from your hand, O king. ¹⁸ But **even if He does not**, we want you to know, O king, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."*

"Leadership is the ability to HIDE your panic."

Proverbs 29:25a (MSG) *"The **fear** of human opinion **disables**."*

How To Handle Your Fear Of Failure...

- _____ failure
- _____ compare yourself

Galatians 6:4 (NIV) *"Each one should test his own actions. Then he can take pride in himself, **without comparing** himself to somebody else..."*

3. EXPECT GOD TO _____ AND _____ YOU.

Philippians 1:20 (NCV) *"I expect and hope that I will not fail Christ in anything but that I will have the courage now, as always, to show the greatness of Christ in my life here on earth, whether I live or die."*

Psalms 27:13 (NAB) *"...I believe I shall enjoy the LORD'S goodness in the land of the living."*

Isaiah 6:8 (NIV) *"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for Us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'"*

Expecting God to _____ is faith!

When you get _____...
you are going to be enthusiastic.

Matthew 9:29 (NIV) *"Then he (Jesus) touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith will it be done to you."*

Other Things You Should Expect Include...

- You will be _____ unjustly.

2 Corinthians 6:8 (NLT) *"We serve God whether people honor us or despise us, whether they slander us or praise us. We are honest, but they call us impostors."*

- You will still make _____.

James 3:2 (TEV) *"All of us often make mistakes..."*

- Others will take _____ for your work.

Hebrews 11:1 (GW) *"Faith assures us of things we expect and convinces us of the existence of things we cannot see."*

God is not your copilot! He's either flying the plane or He's not in the plane at all!

4. NEVER _____.

Psalms 31:24 (MSG) *“Be brave. Be strong. **Don't give up.** Expect God to get here soon.”*

Psalms 119:109 (TLB) *“My life hangs in the balance, **but I will not give up obedience to your laws.**”*

Proverbs 24:16a (CEV) *“**Even if good people fall seven times, they will get back up...**”*

Galatians 6:9 (TLB) *“... Let us not get tired of doing what is right, for after a while we will reap a harvest of blessing **if we don't get discouraged and give up.**”*

DAILY PRAYER: *“God, what can I do today
that will _____?”*

The most important thing you have 100% control over is how much you choose to believe God.

Mark 9:24 (NKJV) *“Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, **'Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!'**”*