

## **THE DREAM TREE**

Who would not love to have such a tree?

*"The visions that passed through my mind as I lay on my bed were these: I was looking, and behold, there was a tree in the middle of the earth, and its height was great. The tree grew large and became strong And its height reached to heaven, And it was visible to the end of the earth. Its leaves were beautiful and its fruit abundant, And in it was food for all. The beasts of the field found shade under it, And the birds of the sky nested in its branches, And all living creatures fed themselves from it." DANIEL 4:10-12 AMP*

This sounds great, but unfortunately this was a "dream tree". Nebuchadnezzar's dream tree and it was cut down and destroyed.

But we read in Genesis of another tree, the **Tree of life**.

*"And out of the ground the LORD God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. **The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden**, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil." Genesis 2:9 NKJV*

Because of the wrong choices mankind missed out on the **Tree of life** for a very long time. Fortunately, because of God's grace, Jesus gave us a second chance. Jesus is the **tree of life**. He died on the cross (tree) to restore our relationship with God, to open up the channel of love, grace and blessings.

*"Jesus said to her, " I am the Resurrection and the Life. Whoever believes in (adheres to, trusts in, relies on) Me [as Savior] will live even if he dies; and everyone who lives and believes in Me [as Savior] will never die. Do you believe this?" JOHN 11:25-26 AMP*

*"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." John 10:10 NKJV*

*"And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work." II Corinthians 9:8 NKJV*

*"Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing." JOHN 15:5*

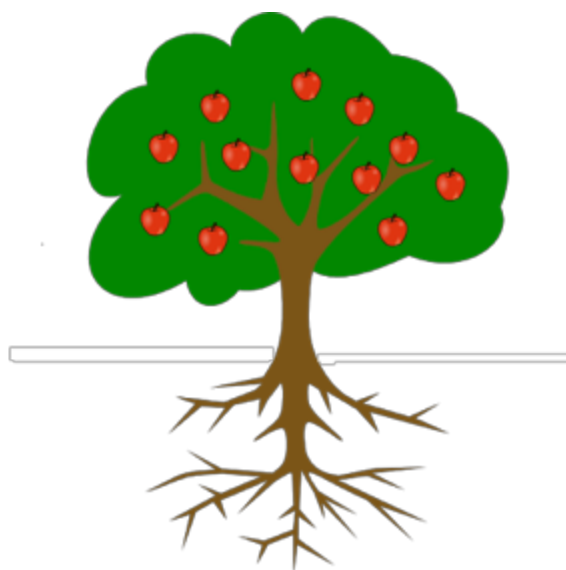


*"You can identify them by their fruit, that is, by the way they act. Can you pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles?" MATTHEW 7:16*

The fruit is God's promises, but it can only realise if we are grounded in His Word and allow the Holy Spirit to flow through us and work with us in order for us to bear fruit.

The question is what fruit do I want on my TREE? And what do I need to do to achieve that. I need to cultivate the soil, water and prune my tree.

<b>Prune to produce:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greed</li> <li>• Contentment 1 Tim.6:8-10</li> <li>• Stinchy</li> <li>• Generosity 1 Tim.6:17-18</li> <li>• Want</li> <li>• Need</li> <li>• Love of money Heb.13:5</li> <li>• Add some verses...</li> </ul>	<b>Water to produce:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remain in Jesus John 15:4-5</li> <li>• Remain in His Word John 15:7-8</li> <li>• Remain in His love John 15:10</li> <li>• Sows generously 2 Cor.9:6-8</li> <li>• Add some verses...</li> </ul>	What will the <b>result</b> of the fruit on your tree be? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Abundance</li> <li>• Generosity</li> <li>• Multiplications</li> <li>• Good Works</li> <li>• Heavenly Treasures</li> <li>• Blessed</li> <li>• Inheritance Prov.13:22 Phil.4:19 AMP Prov.22:9 2 Cor.9:11 Prov.11:25</li> <li>• Add your fruit and verses to the tree...</li> </ul>
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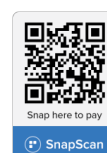


FRUIT = RESULT  
WHAT FRUIT DO YOU DESIRE?

STEM = ACTION TAKEN  
JUICE FLOWING = HOLY SPIRIT

ROOTS = GOD – WORD OF GOD  
Scripture verses

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Establish what you need to do to get more good fruit on your tree:

What do you need to prune? .....

What do you need to feed/water? .....

What fruit do you desire on your tree? .....

Action plan: Write an action plan to get more good fruit on your tree. Share it with your wife/friend (your accountability partner).

**Prayer:**

Help us to grow a healthy tree to Your glory. Amen!

*"And all the tithe (tenth part) of the land, whether the seed of the land or the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S; it is holy to the LORD." LEVITICUS 27:30 AMP*

**BIRTHDAYS**

**March**

20 Paul le Roux

21 Jeff Daniels, Ralph Willcox

22 Eldrid Janeke, David Nel, Carl Punt

23 Evert Eek, Marcu van Wyk

**CALENDAR**

Please pray for the following

- CBMC **Outreach** False Bay, 20 March
- CBMC joined **Outreach**, Strand-Sentraal, 5 April
- CBMC **Inreach**, Malmesbury, 10 April
- CBMC **Outreach** Strand, 19 July
- **Global Leadership Summit 2019** tickets available from Piet Swart 082 962 8926 ([piet@groen96.co.za](mailto:piet@groen96.co.za))
- CBMC **Africa Conference**, Kenya 17-19 October (<http://www.cbmc africa.com>) *One-Pager included.*

## Leadership Coach Training

- 17 & 18 May
- 13 & 14 Sep

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