



Open Heavens 8 June 2026 Devotional & Commentary

Description

The Open Heavens 8 June 2026 devotional for today is DON'T STOP DREAMING

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TOPIC: DON'T STOP DREAMING

MEMORISE:

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Proverbs 18:16

READ: Psalm 105:17-21

¹⁷ He sent a man before them, even Joseph, who was sold for a servant:

¹⁸ Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:

¹⁹ Until the time that his word came: the word of the Lord tried him.

²⁰ The king sent and loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and let him go free.²¹ He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance:

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Many people grow up dreaming of great things that they want to achieve. However, as they get older, if the circumstances of their lives do not seem to match what they had dreamed about, they tend to start giving up on their dreams.

If someone reminds them about the dreams they once had, some of them might say, “Reality set in.” • Child of God, there is no reality apart from the one you make for yourself. If you stop dreaming or working towards achieving your dreams, they may just never come to pass. However, with your faith in God, continue to dream, work towards achieving them, and you will eventually see them come to pass.

In Genesis 41:41-44, Joseph’s opportunity to rule, as he had seen in his dream, eventually came.

Although his brothers tried to kill him (Genesis 37:18-20), and Potiphar’s wife also tried to destroy him (Genesis 39:1-20), God kept him and made him triumphant. When he was in prison, he could have said, “Reality has set in,” and given up on his dreams. Rather, he continued to prepare himself by improving his administrative skills and gift of interpreting dreams. From his story, we can see that preparation is crucial in positioning you to achieve your dreams.

If Joseph had been laid-back and had refused to prepare and develop himself, he would have missed a great opportunity to fulfil his dreams as he stood before Pharaoh. If all he had told Pharaoh was the interpretation of his dreams without the wise counsel on how to administer the resources of Egypt, perhaps he would have been returned to prison as a privileged prisoner.

Beloved, don’t just dream; develop the skills that are needed for your dreams to become a reality and also sharpen the skills you will need when they come to pass. You must also use your God-given gifts at every opportunity you get. Proverbs 18:16 says, “A man’s gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.” Your gifts will give you the chance for your dreams to become a reality, and your skills will make you qualified to live those dreams. When opportunity meets preparation, destiny is sure to be fulfilled.

Beloved, do not despise your days of preparation because they will develop your character and enable you to achieve your dreams and stay relevant for a very long time. I pray that when that great opportunity you desire is around the corner, you will be prepared for it, in Jesus name.

KEY POINT:

Your dreams will become a reality if you put your faith in God and keep working on them.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Psalms 18-21

[**Open Heavens HYMN 33: GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH!**](#)

OPEN HEAVENS DEVOTIONAL 8 JUNE 2026 COMMENTARY

MEMORISE: Proverbs 18:16

“A man’s gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.”

This verse reveals a divine principle: your gift is not just for personal satisfaction or entertainment—it is a key that unlocks doors and grants access to influence. Daddy Adeboye anchors today’s devotional on this text because it connects two essential truths: first, that God has given every believer a gift (spiritual or natural), and second, that this gift, when developed and deployed, will create opportunities that neither you nor your enemies can manufacture. Your gift is your God-given ambassador; it will go before you and announce your arrival to greatness.

BIBLE READING: Psalm 105:17-21

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This passage summarizes Joseph’s journey from pit to palace. Daddy Adeboye draws from it to show that the gap between a dream and its fulfillment is not empty time—it is *preparation time*. Joseph was sold, enslaved, falsely accused, and imprisoned. But the Bible says, *“Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.”* The dream was given in Genesis 37. The fulfillment came in Genesis 41. The years in between were not punishment; they were the proving ground where Joseph’s character and skills were forged.

The Danger of Letting “Reality” Kill Your Dreams

1. The Gradual Death of Dreams

Daddy Adeboye identifies a common tragedy:

“Many people grow up dreaming of great things that they want to achieve. However, as they get older, if the circumstances of their lives do not seem to match what they had dreamed about, they tend to start giving up on their dreams.”

This is the silent funeral of purpose. No enemy attacks it. No one opposes it violently. The dream simply dies of neglect, buried under the weight of disappointment, cynicism, and the false wisdom that says, *“Be realistic.”*

Dreamer at 20

“I will change my generation.”

“God has a great plan for my life.”

“I will start that business/ministry.”

Same Person at 40

“I just want to pay my bills.”

“Maybe I was never meant for much.”

“It’s too late now; reality set in.”

“If someone reminds them about the dreams they once had, some of them might say, ‘Reality set in.’”

Daddy Adeboye rejects this excuse with a bold declaration:

“Child of God, there is no reality apart from the one you make for yourself.”

This is not positive thinking divorced from God. It is faith-based determination. The *“reality”* that tries to kill your dream is not final reality. God’s promise over your life is more real than any obstacle in your path.

2. Faith + Effort = Fulfillment

“If you stop dreaming or working towards achieving your dreams, they may just never come to pass. However, with your faith in God, continue to dream, work towards achieving them, and you will eventually see them come to pass.”

Notice the two components:

Component	Description	Scriptural Basis
Faith in God	Trusting that the dream came from God and He will fulfill it	<i>“The vision is for an appointed time! though it tarry, wait for it.” (Habakkuk 2:3)</i>
Continued work	Persistent effort, development, and preparation	<i>“Faith without works is dead.” (James 2:26)</i>

Dreams are not fulfilled by magic. They are fulfilled by divine empowerment *and* human diligence. Joseph heard from God, but he also worked in Potiphar’s house, studied administration in prison, and prepared his mind for the day Pharaoh would call.

Joseph: The Blueprint for Dream Fulfillment

1. Opposition to the Dream (Genesis 37-39)

Daddy Adeboye lists three major attacks against Joseph's dream:

Attack	Source	Attempted Result
Conspiracy to kill	His own brothers (Genesis 37:18-20)	End the dream through murder
Selling into slavery	His brothers (Genesis 37:28)	End the dream through displacement
False accusation and imprisonment	Potiphar's wife (Genesis 39:1-20)	End the dream through disgrace and captivity

Any one of these would have destroyed a lesser man. Joseph lost his family, his freedom, his reputation, and his comfort. Humanly speaking, every circumstance screamed, *"Your dream is dead. Reality has set in."*

"When he was in prison, he could have said, 'Reality has set in,' and given up on his dreams. Rather, he continued to prepare himself!"

This is the critical difference between those who fulfill their dreams and those who bury them. Joseph did not waste his prison years in self-pity. He used them as a classroom.

2. Preparation: The Hidden Work Before the Public Breakthrough

Daddy Adeboye highlights Joseph's diligent preparation:

Location	Position	What Joseph Learned/Developed
Jacob's house	Favored son	Leadership, family dynamics, God's covenant
Potiphar's house	Slave, then overseer	Management, administration, integrity under temptation
Prison	Prisoner, then trustee	Organization, people skills, interpreting dreams

None of this seemed relevant to ruling Egypt. A lazy dreamer would have said, *"I'm supposed to be a ruler, not a slave overseer or a prison trustee. This is beneath my dream."* But Joseph understood: every assignment was preparing him for the final assignment.

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Daddy Adeboye makes a stunning point: even Joseph's *gift* of dream interpretation was sharpened in prison. He interpreted the dreams of the butler and the baker (Genesis 40) before he ever stood before Pharaoh. That was a dress rehearsal. That was God saying, *"I am developing your gift even here, in this dark place."*

3. The Danger of Being Unprepared for the Opportunity

Daddy Adeboye issues a sobering warning:

“If Joseph had been laid-back and had refused to prepare and develop himself, he would have missed a great opportunity to fulfil his dreams as he stood before Pharaoh.”

Consider what could have happened:

What Joseph Did	What Joseph Could Have Done
Interpreted Pharaoh’s dreams accurately	Given a vague, unconvincing interpretation
Provided a seven-year administrative plan	Stopped at the interpretation, offering no solution
Demonstrated wisdom and leadership	Appeared talented but impractical
Was made second in all of Egypt	Been rewarded and then forgotten

“If all he had told Pharaoh was the interpretation of his dreams without the wise counsel on how to administer the resources of Egypt, perhaps he would have been returned to prison as a privileged prisoner.”

This is a chilling thought: Joseph could have been released from prison, given a reward, and then sent back to obscurity because he had the gift but not the skill. Gift opens the door; skill keeps you in the room.

Your Gift Will Make Room for You (Proverbs 18:16)

1. What “Gift” Means in This Context

Daddy Adeboye uses “gift” in two senses:

Sense	Meaning	Example
Spiritual gift	Supernatural enablement from the Holy Spirit	Prophecy, healing, teaching, administration
Natural gift/talent	Innate ability or acquired skill	Music, writing, leadership, technical expertise

Both come from God. Both are meant to be developed and deployed. Joseph had the gift of dream interpretation (spiritual) and the gift of administration (natural/skill). He needed both.

2. How the Gift “Makes Room”

“A man’s gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.”

The gift does four things:

Action	Explanation
Creates visibility	Your gift distinguishes you from the crowd
Opens doors	People who need what you have will seek you out
Grants access	You stand before people you could never have approached on your own
Provides influence	Your gift makes you valuable to others

Joseph was a prisoner. Prisoners do not stand before Pharaoh. But his gift of interpretation was so exceptional that the butler remembered, Pharaoh summoned, and Joseph was elevated. The gift did what Joseph's connections, wealth, or position could never do.

3. Gift Without Skill = Missed Opportunity

Daddy Adeboye is careful to balance:

"Your gifts will give you the chance for your dreams to become a reality, and your skills will make you qualified to live those dreams."

If You Have	Result
Gift but no skill	You get the opportunity but fail to sustain it
Skill but no gift	You work hard but lack the divine edge that opens doors
Gift + skill	Opportunity meets preparation; destiny is fulfilled

"When opportunity meets preparation, destiny is sure to be fulfilled."

Don't Despise the Days of Preparation

1. Preparation Develops Character

Daddy Adeboye emphasizes that the preparation season is not wasted time:

"Do not despise your days of preparation because they will develop your character and enable you to achieve your dreams and stay relevant for a very long time."

Joseph's character was shaped in slavery and prison:

- **Humility** – From favored son to slave, he learned dependence on God
- **Integrity** – He fled from Potiphar's wife, refusing to sin against God
- **Patience** – He waited years for the promise, not taking shortcuts
- **Wisdom** – He learned administration by serving wherever he was placed

A person who is promoted without character becomes dangerous. God prepares you in secret before He promotes you in public.

2. What Preparation Looks Like Today

Based on Daddy Adeboye's counsel, here is how to prepare for your dream:

Area of Preparation	Practical Action
Spiritual preparation	Deepen your prayer life, study Scripture, fast, develop spiritual gifts
Skill development	Take courses, read books, learn from mentors, practice your craft
Character preparation	work on patience, integrity, humility, and emotional maturity
Network preparation	Serve faithfully where you are; your current assignment is your training ground
Mindset preparation	Refuse to give up; keep dreaming; keep working; keep believing

How to Keep Your Dream Alive and Prepare for It

Here is a practical roadmap from Daddy Adeboye's message:

1. **Refuse to Say "Reality Set In"** • That phrase is a dream-killer. Replace it with: *"My dream is from God, and God is not a liar. It will come to pass."*
2. **Continue to Work Toward Your Dream** • Even in small ways, every day, do something that moves you closer to your goal.
3. **Develop Your Skills While You Wait** • Like Joseph in prison, use every season to get better. Take a class. Learn a language. Master a tool. Read a book.
4. **Use Your Gift at Every Opportunity** • Joseph interpreted the butler's dream even though it was just a fellow prisoner. He did not despise small beginnings. Your next open door may come from a "small" assignment.
5. **Stay Ready So You Don't Have to Get Ready** • The opportunity will come suddenly (Pharaoh called in the morning). If you are prepared, you will rise. If not, you will be passed by.

Warning: Do Not Let Delay Become Discouragement

Daddy Adeboye's devotionals carry an implicit warning: the time between the promise and the fulfillment is the most dangerous season. This is when:

- Your brothers betray you (like Joseph)
- False accusations come (like Joseph)
- You feel forgotten (like Joseph in prison)
- You are tempted to settle for less (like Joseph could have)

But Daddy Adeboye says: *"The word of the LORD tried him"* (Psalm 105:19). The delay was not denial. The delay was development. God was not punishing Joseph; He was preparing Joseph. The same is true for you.

Conclusion: Your Prayer for Preparedness and Fulfillment

Daddy Adeboye closes with a prayer that when your great opportunity comes, you will be prepared for it. Do not let the dream die. Do not waste the waiting.

Pray this:

“Lord Jesus, I thank You for the dreams You have placed in my heart. Forgive me for the times I have allowed disappointment to make me say, ‘Reality has set in.’ Revive my dreams today. Give me the spirit of Joseph—the determination to prepare even in prison, to develop my gifts even in obscurity, and to serve faithfully even when the promise seems delayed. I declare that my gift will make room for me. I declare that when opportunity meets my preparation, my destiny will be fulfilled. Do not let me miss my moment because I was lazy or discouraged. Make me ready, and keep me ready, in Jesus’ mighty name.”

Action Steps:

1. **The Dream Resurrection Exercise:** Write down the dreams you had as a child, teenager, or young adult that you have abandoned. Next to each one, write: *“God has not forgotten this. What is one step I can take this week to move toward it?”*
2. **The Skill Audit:** List the skills required for your dream to become a reality. For each skill, rate yourself 1-10. Then commit to improving one skill by one point over the next 90 days.
3. **The Joseph Principle:** Identify your current *“prison”* (the place or season that feels like delay, obscurity, or limitation). Ask: *“What can I learn here? What skill can I develop? How can I serve faithfully in this place?”* Then do it.

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Keep dreaming. Keep preparing. Keep working. Your gift is making room for you even now, and when the opportunity comes, you will be ready.

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