Dream – Awake, Oh Sleeper

Bart was driving me and our adult daughter in our car. Bart started acting sleepy and stopped the car; then leaned his head back and closed his eyes. Two words that came to mind: somnolent and obtunded.

Somnolent and obtunded are terms referring to level of consciousness. Somnolent means "sleepy". Obtunded means difficult to arouse; to render dead, make dull, blunt, deaden.

In the dream I called Barts name over and over with no response from him. I patted his face – no response. I even slapped him, but I could not get him to wake up. I was really worried about him and was crying.

Then I called our pastor; he was there instantly. Bart immediately woke up and we got home. I asked if he knew his name and where he was. He was alert and oriented to person place, and time, as we say in healthcare.

The main theme of the dream was that of Bart falling asleep. Sleep is a sedentary state of mind and body. It is characterized by altered consciousness, relatively inhibited sensory activity, reduced muscle activity and reduced interactions with surroundings. It is distinguished from wakefulness by a decreased ability to react to stimuli. Sleep is a complex and dynamic process that affects how you function. It can be impacted by things such as age, diet, stress, alcohol, and drugs.

I feel like the car in the dream represents an important pursuit – in this case, the furtherance of the Kingdom.

There are many people, even in the Kingdom who have fallen asleep, become distracted, exhausted, or unresponsive. In the flesh we cannot rouse them from their slumber. As we call on Holy Spirit, he instantly is available to help. He instantly responds to us. He promises to never leave us nor forsake us.

In the dream I think the pastor represent God. It is only by the of Holy Spirit that we are able to come out of the deep slumber, as He breaths His life into us. In the dream I think our daughter represent the next generation and the generations to follow.

We must stay alert, call on the Lord, and keep traveling in the direction placed before us in the Kingdom. The next generation must be reached and engaged in the cause of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ. This is a critical time of engaging and enlisting the next generation.

Matthew 13:25 says, "But while everyone was sleeping, the enemy came and sowed weeks among the wheat and went away."

Romans 12 talks about how we are to love our fellow man while understanding the present time. Verse 11 says, "the hour has come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believer. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light."

Prayer: Lord, thank you for always speaking to us through dreams, visions, other people, and through your work. Arouse us and awaken any part of us that is slumbering. Lead us to the next generation and prepare the hearts to engage and be activated in what you are doing in the earth now. Keep us alert. Forgive me when I have allowed myself to be lulled to sleep. Thank you for waking us up!

Declarations:

We say, "NO!" to ungodly influences in Kansas.

We are alert, awake, and engaged in the Kingdom, understanding what the Lord's will is.

I say, "Wake up, O sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you. (Ephesians 5)

We will never stop following our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All glory and honor to Jesus Christ!