

## **FOLLOW THE DREAM- UNAFRAID**

First and Foremost: the most important thing for the day, today is my 31st birthday!! WOW- I never thought I would feel so young at heart, don't the years just fly by as we continue to feel like the same young heart we've always been?

That being said, I'm thinking on one of my favorite things of all time: DREAMS. And specifically a God given dream. There are many details involved in the process but the call comes first. And the call is the most important part. When I first knew I was called to art ministry it was an invigorating scene where I stood overwhelmed with joy at the possibilities of what God would do with my willing heart. Fast forward to 10 years later, there have been many days where I forgot the call or let my FEAR of the details and logistics get in the way. The call of God is what we MUST cling to on the other 364 days of the year when we aren't sitting on the mountain top with God. God doesn't change, He is faithful always. FAITHFUL to complete the work He begins and to be with us along the way.

FEAR is certainly something which keeps us from running after the dream. And I can confidently say that THE WAIT keeps us handicapped as well. In fact, THE WAIT is where many of us will quit because we lose our gumption and perseverance to keep going. Here's what God says in Habakkuk:

"AND THE LORD ANSWERED ME: WRITE THE VISION; MAKE IT PLAIN ON TABLETS, SO HE MAY RUN WHO READS IT. FOR STILL THE VISION AWAITS ITS APPOINTED TIME; IT HASTENS TO THE END- IT WILL NOT LIE. IF IT SEEMS SLOW, WAIT FOR IT; IT WILL SURELY COME; IT WILL NOT DELAY."

- HABAKKUK 2:2-3

These words speak such life to me as I think on our continued quest to steward Scripturedoodle well and see it do all that God wants it to.

In your dream- whatever stage you're in, remember this one thing: God wants a willing heart from us much more than he needs talent. It's about the heart. Are you willing to believe God at his word? Do you believe whole heartedly this verse from Joshua and the passage from Habakkuk? Believing God is probably the best thing we can do in this life. As you pursue the dream, believe God and "if it tarries, wait for it!" He is faithful always.

I'm so thankful for each of you taking part in our ministry and supporting us. Grab the printable of this coloring page below. Add a design in the background of your choice in a medium that you love. And post it somewhere to remind yourself to run hard after the dream- UNAFRAID.

