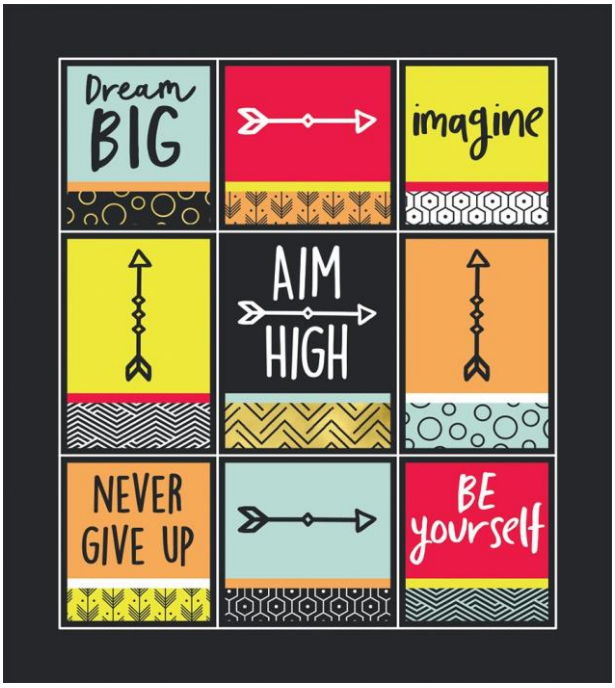
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DREAM (Part 3)

AIM HIGH



A Moment of personal reflection

Begin with a prolonged moment of reflection, in an environment of prayer. We offer you these texts that can motivate you

- You are capable more than you know. Choose a goal that seems right for you and strive to be the best, however hard the path. Aim high. Behave honourably. Prepare to be alone at times, and to endure failure. Persist! The world needs all you can give. ***(E. O. Wilson)***
- You're never too old to start learning, and you're never too young to aim high and achieve great things. ***(Asa Hutchinson)***
- Aim high, and you won't shoot your foot off. ***(Phyllis Diller)***
- We don't aim high enough with our goals. We all have more in us, and we are all capable of aiming higher. ***(Jesse Itzler)***
- "Men of Galilee," they said, "Why do you stand here looking into the sky? ***(Acts 1:11)***

- Those who would come after me must... take up their cross daily and follow me, for those who want to save their lives will lose them, but those who lose their lives for me will save them. ***(Matthew 16:24)***

- In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. **(Acts 2:17)**

Moment of community sharing

What does God want us to do?

Who does God want us to be?

Moment of community prayer

WE SEE NEW VISIONS, DREAM NEW DREAMS
(Prayer taken from "Water from the rock)

Mary, we come to you as our Mother to tell you
how grateful we are to God for having called us to be
little brothers and sisters of Mary and for having you,
the first and perfect disciple of Jesus, as our Model.

Mary, we want to make your Magnificat our own prayer.
And so we ask you to help us come to a greater understanding of God's love
in our lives and to recognise that all is gift,
that all comes from love, and that we are to follow Jesus
in incarnating this love, in being brothers and sisters
to all with a special love for the young and the most neglected.

You are our Ordinary Resource and we ask you to pray for us,
and with us, so that we may continue to grow to be:

– brothers and sisters of radiant hope,
convinced of the active presence of the Spirit
calling all men and women to be co-creators of a new and better world;

– brothers and sisters of listening and discerning hearts,
constantly seeking the Father's will;

– brothers and sisters of audacity,
who have not lost the passion of their lives!

Marist Apostles who are ready to proclaim Jesus and his Gospel
with heart on fire with love.
Help us to be brothers and sisters
to all those we meet on life's journey,
to be present to people as you were,
with listening and compassionate hearts.



Accept our love, dear Mother, as we ask that,
by your example and by your intercession,
Christ may become the centre of our lives.

