

Intersections: Christianity & Today

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Fantasies

1. Hey! Fantasies aren't *so* bad. Some people don't have any. They are called the walking dead.
2. If your fantasy can't be fulfilled, does that mean that that fantasy is worthless?
3. Fantasy—Extravagant and unrestrained imagination. Fanciful, intricate, whimsical, and a delight.
4. Over 40 years ago I had a girlfriend who imagined herself to be Queen of the Universe. Those were her words. Feel free to fantasize the rest of our relationship!
5. Are Christians allowed to have fantasies? Are we allowed to have counterfactual desires?
6. "It appears to me that almost any man may—like the spider—spin from his own innards his own airy citadel."
—John Keats
7. Can a person be happy without fantasies?
8. "Most of the shadows of this life are caused by standing in our own sunshine."
—Henry Ward Beecher
9. Visualize yourself without a worry in the world. —*Whitmer's Guide to Total Wellness*
10. So many songs sing of fantasies. What your favorite fantasy song?
11. Is there such a thing as being fantasy-impaired?
12. Can you have too many fantasies?



On the bonus page . . .
Trouble thinking of a fantasy? I'll share some possibilities.

I sat down at the computer and typed out 26 different fantasy categories.

Can you think of one I missed?

Are you willing to share your fantasy in any of these categories?

- a. Financial*
- b. Travel*
- c. Sexual*
- d. Life around the house*
- e. Job*
- f. Fame*
- g. Glory and Power*
- h. What Heaven will be like*
- i. What this earth might be like*
- j. A nudist world*
- k. An ideal hobby*
- l. Owning a -----*
- m. Giving ----- to ----- and seeing the reaction*
- n. Kids, grandkids—what the heck!—a dynasty!*
- o. Performing in front of thousands*
- p. Being held tenderly where it's quiet and warm and secure*
- q. Starting a university*
- r. My dream house*
- s. Playing hopscotch like a kid again*
- t. Tying—no nailing—the SOB to his desk and performing illegal acts on his body*
- u. A solid week of doing nothing except mathematics*
- v. Changing the shape/color/size of various parts of my body*
- w. Seeing Nevada secede from the Union*
- x. Seeing him/her again*
- y. Never having to see him/her again*
- z. Having God palpably present in my life*