

## DTD Episode 64 Show Notes

### Do You Remember Pretending? Where Could Your Imagination Take You Today?

I have vivid memories of the nights spent as a young child with good friends and cousins. We would concoct the biggest, most outrageous plans with the pure, innocent intent of making it all happen the next day.

There were plans for a huge circus and parade. We'd create the vision. It was going to be huge and glorious and would take place in the living room. Or how about the magic show we'd have. The neighborhood would join, the audience would be enormous. People would make time to come and we'd have the mad skills required to amaze them all.

The forces of reality didn't limit our dreams and we lofted off to sleep KNOWING that the visions we'd created would happen. There were no doubts, there were no facts or realities squelching the breadth of our visions.

It didn't matter that no one knew even one magic trick. We'd learn them quickly in the morning just before the throngs of admirers arrived. And, sure we didn't have an elephant, lion or tiger to include in the lineup of our circus. The only animal at our disposal didn't even know sit or stay. But, we'd figure it all out and put on an amazing show anyway!

As an adult would it serve me to live so out of the realm of reality? No. But, would there be a significant advantage to living a little further along the spectrum of imagination than most adults do? Yes.

As I work with my clients who feel stuck in a rut, unfulfilled and living with the yearning that there must be something more I am amazed at the limits they place on their imaginations.

No I can't

That wouldn't be possible.

There'd be too much work to do

I have kids leaving for college soon

I have a mortgage



I don't have the time

I'm sure it would cost a lot to do that.

I'd be mortified if I tried and it didn't work out.

What would my family think?

On an on the list goes. Meanwhile they are stopped before they even start. Yes, we need to consider reality. But, not as we brainstorm. What if you are stopping the process prematurely? What would it feel like to imagine from a place where anything seems possible?

What if that big dream could happen? What if you could begin the journey and get at least half way there? What would your business look like? What could your life be?

Norman Vincent Peale said, "**Shoot for the moon.** Even if **you** miss, **you'll** land among the stars."

And how fun would that be?

I think that drama is greater when we feel frustrated and unfulfilled. Why not dream a little dream and create an action plan? You just never know what you can make happen!

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