

## *45. Dyslexic Dreams*

Jessica Watson sailed out of Australia in a cloud of criticism and controversy. Their expectations of the critics and detractors said that a 16-year-old dyslexic female couldn't, and shouldn't, try to sail around the world in a tiny yacht. She sailed back home triumphantly into Sydney harbour and to international acclaim.

Like Jessica, people may deride you, reject you and shower your dream with criticism and negativity. People may well signal that you have no real worth, and that you are too young, or that you are aging and of declining worth to the teaching profession.

Contrast what God is saying to you today:

- I have chosen you, and that trumps the rejection of all people. I have selected you for an assignment.
- You have a destiny, and a mission, and you must not let naysayers steal this from you.
- Your value resides not in what you produce, your age, your physical prowess, your attractiveness, your qualifications or your socio-economic status. Your value resides in Me, your creator. This never diminishes.
- You are an original, nobody else can do all that you are called to do in this time and place, you are God's masterpiece.
- Life is not fair and you may well get slapped with blame, rejection and even experience betrayal as I did. But I am fair. I forgive. And I am consistently loyal and faithful.
- I will take away any reproach put on you by others (Joshua 5:9) and work all things for your ultimate good, (Romans 8:28) using the sword that was drawn against you to be an instrument of blessing and enhancement.
- Like Jessica, a huge throng awaits your entry into glory, ready to welcome and celebrate you and your life.

“I’m an ordinary girl who believed in her dream. You don’t have to be someone special or anything special to achieve something amazing. You just gotta have a dream, believe in it and work hard. As a little girl, people don’t think you’re capable of these things; they don’t realize what young people - what 16-year-olds, and what girls - are capable of. And it is **amazing that when you take away those expectations what you can do.**”



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