

At the Movies - RIO



Blue - is a blue macaw - very rare and endangered
He cannot fly due to a fear of flying from his failure on his first attempt.
As he got captured by bird smugglers and ended up in Minnesota America and being looked after by Linda.
Blue lives a second rate life without flying.
Fear instilled in his life at a very early age.

What fears are hindering you?

Proverbs 29:25 fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is kept safe

FEAR OF:
POVERTY - usually ones that hold their finances to themselves rather than give to others. As we give we shall be blessed.

CRITICISM - you do less and less because of criticism until you are criticized for doing nothing

ILL HEALTH - always taking days off work, always afraid of getting sick

LOSS OF LOVE - losing a loved one that is special to you

OLD AGE - watching people age, it can grip you and make you lose your joy and the you lose your strength

John 10:10, it is what you focus on that will change you. Change your perspective. You still need to live your life productively

DEATH - Kristian Anderson - he used to go to CCC Oxford falls, he shot to fame by a YouTube clip when he poured out his life to his wife and kids - by simply living his life to the full and pouring out his love to others. Even in his final days he loved others.

1) **Fear is nothing more a state of mind**

It is what you focus in - if focus in your fears they will become amplified.

We need to find scriptures that are the antidote to fight these are fears - have them ready to go

Fear not! - in the bible there are heaps

Fear not be strong and courageous

Fear not for I am with you - it is very important because fear will stop us reaching our full potential

Blue increasingly depends on Linda to supply his every need.

2) **Fear and condependency can trap us into a sub standard of living**

Making the relationship with another more important than you are to yourself.

Blue has no other relationships with other birds and Linda has no other friends but Blue.

They need to be needed and spend all of their time trying to fix the problems of others who don't even what to try and fix the problem.

Eg. Trying to play tennis and you are hitting all the balls down to the other player, but they don't want to pick up the racket and hit the balls back.

Are our relationships healthy and pointing people to Christ or us?

When the giver stops and steps back and says - I can't do this anymore - then the other realizes the problem and starts to fix it.

Blue tries to unsuccessfully try and lean to fly

As a hatchling he wanted to fly but it got buried in fear.

3) **Sometimes chasing our dreams requires a risk!**

Asking God - what is my call and then going after it with enthusiasm and faith - seems like major risk - but we need to be listening to God.

Ephesians 2:10 we are gods workmanship/masterpiece created to good works that he as planned for you to do

Quote - Helen Keller (blind deaf woman)

"Security is a myth, the reason we don't experience it is because doesn't exist.

Avoiding danger or failure is no safer in the long run than outright risk.

Life is either a daring adventure or nothing at all."

Linda and Blue travel to rio - in the hope that Blue would fall in love. But she is wanting to escape and not fall in love. Blue wasn't interest in escaping

Parable of the tablets - the master who gave 3 servants talents according to his abilities.

1st servant - given 5 and made 5 more - well done

2nd servant - given 2 and made 2 more - well done

3rd servant - given 1 and hid it - not well done

Matthew 25:24-25 the 3rd servant was afraid and hid his talent.

4) **Fear holds us back from doing the things that God wants us to do.**

It can causes us to shrink back when we should grow

Blue settled for second best - a companion rather than a free bird.

He wanted a brighter and better cage, 6 marshmallows in his hot coco, I want, I want...

God is calling is to do what we are called to be...

To rise up and do the things that we are meant to do.

We are called to love others and serve others - instead we sit back in our cage and watch others because of our own fears.

Are we going to live in 2012 like a caged pet or to get out and be free?

Blue is released from his fear

We are able to be released from our fears too!

If we could influence one person in 2012 to come to Christ - some way that's easy - others have fear rising up.

Lord put that one person in our path!

God left the 99 to find the one.

Luke 5:4-8

Launch out and I will make you fishers of men

Hebrew 12:1-2