

Think Inside the Box

When it comes to our **limitations**, most people operate out of an if, then mindset.

If I had _____, then I would _____.

If I could _____, then I would _____.

So...

If I had more money, then I would buy a nicer house.

If I could sing, then I would be a musician.

If my children were in a different stage of life, then I would move.

If my church had a state of the art facility, then we would grow.

You encounter this same kind of thinking in the corporate world. It's called **thinking outside the box**:

What would you do if you had unlimited money? Could sing? Had children who were at a different stage? Had a state of the art facility?

Sounds nice, but this mindset is a breeding ground for frustration. Why?

Because you don't have unlimited money.

You can't sing.

Your children aren't in a different stage of life.

And your church still has the same building.

In other words, for now you're stuck with your limitations. And while it might be liberating to think about life as if you didn't have them, they're still there and you have to work with them.

I'm not saying that you shouldn't plan ahead or that you shouldn't dream. Of course you should. But **your box is never going to expand to the place where you're thinking outside of it until you learn to live in it.**

I would challenge you to **think inside the box**. Stop waiting for what you want and work what you've got. How much money do you have? What talents has God given you? How can you maximize your church or corporation with the assets and resources you *currently* have in place?

Your greatest limitation is God's greatest opportunity.

If He wanted you to have _____, He would have provided it to you.

If He wanted you to do _____, He would have made you able.

But He didn't.

So there must be something greater in mind that He wants to do through your limitation. He must have something in mind He wants to do with what you actually have and actually can do.

Most of us are so focused on what we don't have that we're blinded to what we do have. If you had what you think you needed you wouldn't be able to use what God's actually put inside of you.

And what He has put inside of you is all you need to accomplish all that He's called you to do. It's all He needs too.

Even if it seems limited to you.

Read more from Steven [here](#).