

The Key Aspects to Stop Dreaming and Start Writing



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Hey Girl,

If you are reading this you have probably contemplated in your mind about blogging or writing of some sort, but have many questions or don't even know where to begin. Yet, I can tell you that both those reasons are perfect reasons why you need to stop dreaming about writing, and just start doing it! I think anyone who has the passion or ambition to write, already has it written in her, she just needs to get her thoughts down on paper.

I write because it releases so much of what is going on inside. I used to be someone who built up walls all around me, never telling anyone how I truly felt. Writing gives me the freedom to release all that energy to learn more about myself, others, and our amazing God. Sometimes He wakes me up at 5:00am just to give me one sentence to write down, and I believe He is already doing the same for you.

I also write, because my prayer and hope is that it is an encouragement to someone else. And I hope today that the pointers I have here, will give you the motivation to start making some action steps to start writing, blogging or journaling what God has already given you, down on paper to help build someone else up.

I truly believe that you have something to write about no one else does! I believe in you.

LOVE your sister,
Sarah Evangeline



1. Pray, Pray, Pray

Praying is key, whether you are writing about God, or something personal. Why? Because when we invite God into the presence of our writing, He takes us soaring. God the author of our entire life, so why not include Him in our own writing?

It's so easy to want to just pound it out on the computer and forget about praying. I know. I get it. Yet, I can tell you from experience that when I include God into my writing, I have a sense of peace and an unshaking presence. The Holy Spirit calms my mind and keeps me focused in the present.

Writing isn't magic, and I am not trying to say that God will give you super powers, but I am the girl who believes we need to come to God first in everything we do, including whatever we write.

2. Be Grounded in Truth

I once heard someone say, "We must be grounded in anything we write or speak about so we know how to back it up." I write a lot of blogs that have a core of Scripture attached to it. Actually, scripture is what motivates me to write. Yet, I must be grounded in God's truth and understand the context of His Word. If someone is going to ask me about something in my blog or book, I need to be ready to answer them, by knowing what I stand for.

Whatever you write about, just make sure you know how to take a stand for it. It's good to let our passions lead, but we must be grounded in God's Word first.

Plus, when you make God's Word a part of your daily life, He will teach you things that will inspire you to write even more! It's exciting!

3. Humility, Humility, Humility

A friend once told me that there are 3 things to succeed in life. The first one is humility. The second one is humility and the third one is humility. It's too hard to do life on our own stage. It's too hard to try to please others. And it's too hard to forget about being in awe of God's grace.

This friend also said this: "Hold on to your first love and never be afraid to be passionate about God. You serve an amazing God who will take you to places you never dreamed of going. You are embarking on a great adventure and it is okay to be enthusiastic. Don't let the devil steal your joy."

Get started in writing, but always remember to have humility by your side :)

4. Always Keep it Others-Centered

The key about writing ANYTHING is to keep your audience always in your mind. If you are writing only to help yourself, then I kindly encourage you to deal with your own pain first, or seek help in a different way.

Writing cannot be just about us. We need to think of others, before we write one word down on paper.

love your readers and listen to them. We need to ask the big questions:

- a. What is it that our readers want?
- b. What are they seeking out answers to?
- c. How can I best deliver to them the right answer to help them in their life, today?

When you love your readers, they will love your writing.

People need to be your passion. Telling others about God's love needs to be your passion. Love others more than yourself, and you will see more beauty in your writing.

5. How to Tell your Story

There is purpose in telling your story. There is no one else in the world who is exactly like you; God has chosen you to bring something to the world, no one else can bring. It's amazing and it's so exciting. There is importance in telling your story, but it's important to know how and when to do so.

It can be easy to want to write down your whole life story, taking up paragraphs and paragraphs of your next blog, yet we must be careful. There is a time to tell our own life story, but we must remember to keep it other-centered when doing so. Most people today are in a hurry and don't have time to read a 30 mins blog page anymore.

I encourage you to tell your story, but share it in bits and pieces. Share only the part of your story that is relevant to your current blog post. Keep it narrow and focused. I encourage you to be brave and courageous in telling parts of your story. There is power in vulnerability and it helps you connect to your readers in a powerful way.

However you tell your story, remember to pray about it, be grounded in God's truth, and think about your audience.

6. Get into Social Media in a Healthy Way

It almost seems we can't do anything without social media these days, eh? Everyone is always on their phone devices. I have learned that the best way to reach many of the people I want to help is through social media. however, I have also learned that there is a healthy way to do this, that I want to share with you.

Social media is a great tool to use. I encourage you to set up a website (I used wix.com and LOVE it), set up an Instagram account, facebook page, etc. BUT always keep this question in your mind:

Am I doing this to glorify God or to please myself?

I ask that question every single time before I post ANYTHING and it has changed my world.

So get POSTING. Spread your words throughout social media. BUT remember who you are trying to glorify.

8. Learn from Others

As a writer, I can tell you that I still have so much more to learn. Writing is a process, and we were never meant to stop growing in it.

While you write and help others, God is working on you to make you better in all areas of your life.

Let Him change you from the inside out and never be afraid to ask for help from others.

Don't just post a blog and leave it at that- follow up with your readers and even have coffee with some of them! There is so much you can learn from them and others.

Always leave room to grow.

9. Write in HIS Love

The best way to write is to do it in His love. While Jesus was on earth He became the most radical homeless man every lived. He was King of the world, but instead of living in a castle and wearing a crown He lowered Himself to show the most powerful love you will ever find.

I encourage you to follow in His footsteps. Lead everything you write with His love.

We are to help point others to Christ, and the best way to do this is by

HIS LOVE.

Thank you for reading! I hope we can learn from each other!
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There is always another Sister we can learn from :)

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