



**Rich Dixon**



*Together*  
ON A JOURNEY OF  
**HOPE**

## A STORY OF **HOPE AND DREAMS**

### *Where are the limits?*

What can the human spirit accomplish when it looks beyond limitations and sees possibility and opportunity? What's the power of hopes and dreams?

*Rich's story made me want to go climb a mountain!*

On September 12, 2011, Rich Dixon climbed onto his specially designed cycle in remote Lake Itasca State Park in Northern Minnesota. Over the next eight weeks he pedaled 1500 miles along the Mississippi River to the Gulf of Mexico—using only his arms.



Rich speaks to all sorts of audiences with a unique blend of humor, personal experience, and practical application. You can bring this inspirational story to your event. Your audience will leave inspired, motivated, and ready to pursue big dreams.

*I was inspired and motivated by Rich Dixon's story. The world is a better place because Rich chose to turn tragedy into triumph.*

*~ Hal Donaldson, Founder and President, Convoy Of Hope*



*In a hospital outside New Orleans a man shared his fears as his Momma battled the effects of a debilitating stroke. We talked about God caring for her no matter what happened. He laughed and cried and told me he knew she'd be okay. That's hope.*

*At a homeless ministry in Jackson, Mississippi, a man re-committed to drug treatment and getting off the streets after hearing our message of hope. He gave me a big, burly hug and said, "I can do this."*

## **THE STORY CONTINUES**

In July, 2012, Rich joined a group of 25 able-bodied cyclists on a 500-mile journey from Cincinnati to the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC. Rich's Ride is an inspiring, ongoing story of hope and possibility that demonstrates what happens when we focus on what we *can* do instead of what we *can't* do.



## *Are you seeking a speaker to inspire and motivate your audience?*

Keynote or conference, workshop or retreat, Rich's honesty, vulnerability, and humor will connect with listeners. The incredible story of RICH'S RIDE encourages audiences from all backgrounds to confront fear and adversity and define themselves in terms of possibilities rather than inabilities.



*Rich Dixon is more than a survivor. He is a victor. Difficult circumstances have hammered him, but he has not allowed them to define him in a negative way. His dream to help others in spite of his own circumstance generates hope and healing at a number of levels. ~ Dick Foth*

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A freak accident and a paralyzing spinal cord injury initiated a desperate search for meaning within a broken body and a seemingly shattered life. Rich eventually discovered that limitations are mostly self-imposed. Rich avoids simplistic solutions to painful problems and offers pragmatic perspectives on surviving and thriving in difficult circumstances.

*Too many people dwell on their limitations. We were created with this amazing ability to overcome obstacles. This ride demonstrates that we're defined by our abilities, not our disabilities. ~ Rich Dixon*

Following a thirty-five year career as a professional educator, Rich brings his blend of experience, encouragement, and humor to audiences from all walks of life.

For additional information please visit: <http://richdixon.net/bouncingback/speaking/>



### **Books by Rich Dixon:**

***RELENTLESS GRACE: God's Invitation To Give Hope Another Chance.***

***RICH'S RIDE: Hope Changes What's Possible*** (release December 2012)

Rich's work has been published in more than two dozen periodicals and anthologies.

*Rich Dixon is an outstanding communicator. He speaks with the authority of one who has faced a huge wall and scaled it and with a delightful humor that warms and inspires the heart. He's the real deal, and any group will benefit hugely from time spent with him. ~ Jeff Lucas, Author, Speaker, Broadcaster*



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