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Building a Global Vision: How to Reimagine Problems and Create World-Changing Solutions. When Dr. Geoff Tabin first co-founded the Himalayan Cataract Project, his goal of eliminating all preventable and treatable blindness from the Himalayan region in his lifetime seemed as unlikely as his first ascent of Mount Everest. Now, his goal of scaling his team's methodology to treat curable blindness across the globe seems just as audacious. But, as Dr. Tabin explains in this moving and motivating presentation, we are living in an era when formerly-unsolvable problems can be remedied with the right mix of innovation and determination.

With this talk, Dr. Tabin explores how to turn passion and imagination into a world-changing business model, what to do when you're up against insurmountable odds, and when to persevere and when to pivot in order to create a global movement. A fascinating look at an innovator's life, this talk is a fantastic option for any group looking to motivate and inspire new ideas and a reinvigorated work ethic within its ranks.

Impossible Dreams: The First Ascent of the East Face of Mt. Everest and Eradicating World Blindness. Here Dr. Tabin looks at two distinct yet parallel feats in his life: Becoming the first person to ascend the East Face of Everest, and his work with the Himalayan Cataract Project. A customizable look at tackling "impossible" problems, Dr. Tabin discusses how to face the unknown and feel comfortable taking on challenges when success is not guaranteed. With incredible stories of determination and calculated risk from his adventures around the world, Dr. Tabin relates his ascent of Mount Everest and work to eradicate global blindness to any group facing audacious goals, and motivates audiences to push past the limits of what they think is possible.

Seven Summits: Adventures on the Seven Continents. Packed with funny, off-the-wall mountaineering stories, this talk is all about the difference between doing something and really experiencing it. Dr. Tabin shares stunning visuals and anecdotes from his climbs across the globe and discusses how he threw himself whole-heartedly into his dreams in order to make them a reality. An honest look at how to take on big challenges and push aside self-doubt, Dr. Tabin lights up rooms as he talks about his passion for climbing and encourages audiences to live their fullest lives as well.