

I HAVE BEEN UNIQUELY S.H.A.P.E.D. TO SERVE GOD IN MINISTRY

-Pastor Dan, 11/18/18

Spiritual Gifts * Heart * Ability * Personality * EXPERIENCES

Key Series Thought: My S.H.A.P.E. Will Determine My Ministry!

Spiritual Gifts Are: A special ability, given by the Holy Spirit to every believer at their conversion, to be used to minister to others.

Spiritual Gifts listed: 1 Corinthians 12; Romans 12 and Ephesians 4

Administration, Apostleship, Craftsmanship; Discernment; Encouragement; Evangelism; Faith; Giving; Healing; Helping; Hospitality; Intercession; Knowledge; Leadership; Mercy; Miracles; Prophecy; Serving; Shepherding; Teaching; Tongues & Interpretation; Wisdom.

Free Online Spiritual Gifts Test: <https://www.freeshapetest.com/>

E = EXPERIENCES. Review your history to discover how God has prepared you for a unique ministry that only you can fulfill.

Who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.

2 Corinthians 1:4

GOD WILL USE "ALL OF YOUR LIFE-EXPERIENCES"

*"And we know that in **ALL things** God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."* Romans 8:28

• God Hasn't Forgotten Your Personal Experiences:

But Jonah rose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD. He went down to Joppa and found a ship going to Tarshish. So he paid the fare and went on board, to go with them to Tarshish, away from the presence of the LORD. Jonah 1:3

But I, with shouts of grateful praise, will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. I will say, 'Salvation comes from the LORD.'" Jonah 2:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

And he said, "Go out and stand on the mount before the LORD." And behold, the LORD passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. ³ When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave. Then a voice said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 1 Kings 19:11-12

• God Has Purpose In Painful Experiences: God Never Wastes a Hurt.

Holiness: ⁷ *or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me.* 2 Corinthians 12:7-8

Jail Persecution: *"Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel!"* Philipians 1:12

Personal Pain: *"(God)... Wonderfully comforts and strengthens us in our hardships and trials. And why does he do this? So when others are troubled, needing our sympathy and encouragement, we can pass on to them the same help and comfort God has given us!"* 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

KEY: God Will Use Your Painful Experiences To Help Others In Similar Pain.