



HOW HAS GOD SHAPED YOU FOR MINISTRY?

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Every Church Is Big in God's Eyes

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HOW HAS GOD SHAPED YOU?

"Your hands shaped me and made me...."

Job 10:8a

What God made you to be determines what He intends for you to do

Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.

You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb.

You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book.

Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed.

Psalm 139:14-16

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- 4. God gave me my personal S.H.A.P.E.

Spiritual Gifts

a divine ability given by the Holy Spirit to carry out a specific function with ease and effectiveness.

1. Every Christian has at least one Spiritual Gift.

1 Corinthians 7:7

Spiritual gifts are given to help other believers grow 1 Peter 4:10

3. God expects me to invest my spiritual gifts to benefit the church family.

Matthew 25:14-30

4. List of some of the gifts: teaching, evangelism, encouragement, service, giving, leadership, administration and mercy. Romans 12:6-8

- 1. What ministry do you really enjoy doing?
- 2. What gifts do other believers recognize in you?
- 3. Which ministries are you particularly effective?

Heart

Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart.

Psalm 37:4

Your heart determines...

Why you say the things you do.

For whatever is in your heart determines what you say.

Matthew 12:34

Your heart determines...

Why you feel the way you do.

In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and need.

Philippians 4:12

Your heart determines...

Why you act the way you do.

Guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.

Proverbs 4:23

My aim is to preach the gospel where Christ has not been named, so that I will not build on someone else's foundation Romans 15:20

Abilities

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Paul went to see them, and stayed and worked with them, because he earned his living by making tents, just as they did.

Acts 18:2-4

For you have heard of my past ... I persecuted the church with fanatical zeal ... And did my best to destroy it ... I was ahead of most of my contemporaries in the Jewish religion, and had a boundless enthusiasm.

Galatians 1:13-14

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Painful experiences

Sometimes it takes a painful experience to make us change our ways."

Proverbs 20:30

...I want you to know that what has happened to me has helped to spread the Good News. I am in prison because I am a believer in Christ.

Philippians 1:12-13

God uses our...

Spiritual experiences

I mean that I want us to help each other with the faith that we have. Your faith will help me, and my faith will help you.

Romans 1:12

God uses our...

Experiences to help others

God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

God uses our...

Past 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

How can I figure out my SHAPE?

- Get involved in ministry
- Get involved in T-90 small groups
- Take a step of faith

