

IMAGE CHURCH

GROWTH TRACK
STEP THREE - EQUIP

SEIZE
THE
DAY



WHAT TO EXPECT

The growth track at Image Church guides you to discover your **redemptive** purpose and live the life God created for you.

The growth track is made up of four steps.

Encounter

Establish

Equip

Empower.

Step One

ENCOUNTER

Learn the spiritual journey God has for each of us—to encounter Jesus.

Step Two

ESTABLISH

Explore the ministry of Image Church and find out how to connect in our community.

Step Three

EQUIP

Discover your personality and gifts. See how they point to your purpose in life and your best fit in ministry.

Step Four

EMPOWER

Connect to the opportunities at Image Church to live out your purpose and use your gifts serving others.

Our prayer for you

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people.

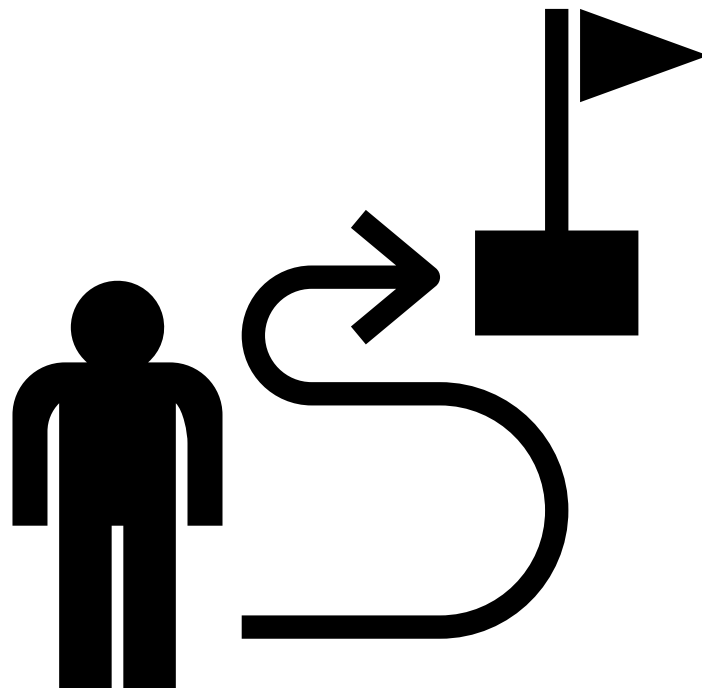
Ephesians 1:17-18

EQUIP

Discover your personality and gifts. See how they point you to your purpose in life and your best fit in ministry.

The first step is to pray. Pray for God's guidance and ask Him to use you for His will. Ask Him to open your eyes and ears to His call on your life. He will undoubtedly put some direction or calling upon your heart. There are many existing places and ministries to serve in, or He may tell you to start a whole new one! Whatever God calls you to do, be confident that He will provide a way for it.

Discover your gifts. You may already know what your spiritual gifts are. But, if you do not and want to clarify what they are, we have both adult and youth spiritual gifts tests to help you find out. These tests do not guarantee what gifts you have, but they are helpful tools for you to get an idea of how you are gifted. We encourage you to take the test and then talk to other Christians in our church or community to assist you in discovering your gifts. Try serving in different ministries to see what fits and how you can glorify God in your gift/s.



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Instructions:

Romans 12:3 says, "For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned."

For the best results answer each statement below according to who you are, not who you would like to be or think you ought to be. How true are these statements of you? What has been your experience? What do others tell you? To what degree do these statements reflect how you live your life every day? Each question is very important, so try not to miss out on any. You will calculate your score at the end of the test.

Respond to each statement according to the following 1-5 point scale:

- 1 = Very Inaccurate**
- 2 = Moderately Inaccurate**
- 3 = Neither Accurate nor Inaccurate**
- 4 = Moderately Accurate**
- 5 = Very Accurate**

Begin:

1. _____ I am skilled at organizing people to accomplish many different tasks and objectives.
2. _____ I want to establish and equip new churches and/or ministries.
3. _____ I can easily determine whether a statement is true to Scripture or not.
4. _____ I can clearly and effectively communicate the Gospel to others.
5. _____ I seek to inspire others who are facing difficulties in their faith.

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6. _____ I live confidently knowing that God is intimately concerned and involved with my life.
7. _____ I live a simple lifestyle so that I can give a larger portion of my income to The Lord's work.
8. _____ People often ask me my perspective or interpretation of specific passages of Scripture.
9. _____ Others tend to follow my lead.
10. _____ I have great empathy for those who are facing difficult life challenges.
11. _____ I am very protective of the spiritual well-being of others.
12. _____ At times God has given me a message for an individual or group and compelled me to speak it to them.
13. _____ I enjoy doing everyday tasks that support the various ministries of the church.
14. _____ I spend large amounts of time studying the Word of God knowing that my effort will make a difference in someone's life.
15. _____ I often have helpful insights into situations that have not been made clear to others.
16. _____ I can clearly see what needs to be done and implement a plan to make it happen.
17. _____ Cultural boundaries do not hinder my work to expand the kingdom of God.
18. _____ I pay attention to what people say and how they say it, particularly those who teach.
19. _____ I feel a burden of compassion for those who are lost without Jesus.
20. _____ When people are discouraged, I remind them of the power and promises of God found in Scripture.

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21. _____ I trust God completely to answer my prayers according to His perfect will.
22. _____ I consistently and joyfully give of my income - often more than a tithe.
23. _____ The Spirit has brought to my mind information that I have been able to use to minister to others effectively.
24. _____ I have a vision for my church or ministry and I know what needs to be done to accomplish it.
25. _____ I see the sick or needy as those who most need the love and comfort that Jesus offers.
26. _____ I love spending time nurturing and guiding others in their faith.
27. _____ There have been occasions that I have received a revelation from the Lord and spoken it to the church.
28. _____ I readily volunteer to help in church when I know it will fill a practical need.
29. _____ I effectively communicate the Bible in ways that influence and motivate others to learn more.
30. _____ I have learned through my experiences in life and can often guide others who are facing similar difficulties or challenges that I have had.
31. _____ I am good at delegating responsibility and trust others to "do their jobs."
32. _____ I can minister to people in different cultures effectively.
33. _____ I am a quick and accurate judge of character.
34. _____ I seek ways to build relationships with non-Christians so that The Lord will use me to share the Gospel with them.
35. _____ I am compelled to challenge and inspire growth in those whose faith is stagnant.

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36. _____ I know God will come through even if I don't see any possible solution to my problem.
37. _____ When I give it brings me great joy knowing that more people will be served and touched with the Gospel.
38. _____ I study the Bible regularly in order to share truth with others in and outside the church.
39. _____ I am not afraid to take risks to advance the kingdom of God through my church or ministry.
40. _____ I care deeply about those who are hurting and want to help them navigate through their tough times.
41. _____ I desire to help the wounded and lost find healing and shelter in Jesus Christ.
42. _____ The Lord has spontaneously given me information about an individual that I felt obligated to confront them with in order to restore them to God.
43. _____ I like to serve the Lord "behind the scenes."
44. _____ I am able to explain deep theological truths in ways that even a child can understand them.
45. _____ I often help people by offering Scriptural lessons and principles as solutions to life's various challenges.
46. _____ I like to create ways to make things run efficiently in my life and work.
47. _____ God has given me influence over several different ministries and/or churches.
48. _____ I can readily sense the enemy or a demonic influence in a situation.

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49. _____ I love to memorize Scripture to share with those who don't know Jesus as their Savior.
50. _____ I am not afraid to challenge someone if I know it will foster spiritual growth and boldness in their life.
51. _____ I will boldly move forward in a situation if I sense God's calling and provision to do so.
52. _____ I believe I have been blessed financially so that I may be a blessing to the church and her mission to reach the lost and help the poor.
53. _____ I retain most of what I learn and can recall it quickly when the need arises.
54. _____ I can readily identify leaders and love to help them grow in their gifts and abilities.
55. _____ I love to see people through the storms of life and show them the compassion that Jesus did.
56. _____ I care about the church and do all I can to see it grow and be built up in love.
57. _____ God has put in my mind urgent matters that were otherwise unknown that I have announced to the church.
58. _____ I set aside time in my week to help those in need in my church and community.
59. _____ I enjoy communicating the important details of Scripture to others.
60. _____ I can see where a group or individual's decisions and actions will lead them, and I offer to guide them in the right direction.
61. _____ Details matter to me and I pay special attention to make sure things are done correctly.
62. _____ I am qualified and able to establish and lead a new church or ministry.

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63. _____ I can often tell if someone is being deceitful or dishonest before it becomes apparent to others.
64. _____ I love to share what Christ has done in my life and how He has changed me.
65. _____ Others have told me that my words have compelled them to step out and grow in their faith.
66. _____ Even when times are tough, I trust God completely to comfort me and provide for my needs.
67. _____ Stewardship is an important discipline in my daily walk with Christ.
68. _____ I like to share the truth and insights God has shown me with others.
69. _____ People often look to me to lead a group or project.
70. _____ I have been known to "care too much" and help others in their time of need.
71. _____ I long to see each person in the church fulfilling the Great Commission.
72. _____ I have suddenly received a message from God specific to our congregation and shared it for the edification of the entire church.
73. _____ If I recognize a need in the church I simply fill it without being asked.
74. _____ Others have shared that my teaching is helpful and easy to understand.
75. _____ It is humbling to me when someone asks for my guidance, so I take great care to help them.
76. _____ I manage my time wisely.
77. _____ I have a strong desire to raise up leaders and pastors who will equip the church.
78. _____ I have a strong "radar" for false teaching.

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79. _____ I am not afraid to plead with people to believe that Christ died for their sin and to confess Him as Lord and Savior.
80. _____ When others are faced with difficult situations, I boldly tell them of the faithfulness of God towards His people.
81. _____ I don't often worry because of my confidence in God's ability and willingness to see me through every circumstance.
82. _____ I seek ways to help others financially and share the love of Christ with them.
83. _____ I am able to relate the truth and realities of the Gospel to all aspects of life.
84. _____ I am not afraid to step up and take charge in a crisis situation.
85. _____ I seek out those who are deemed "lost causes" and aid them in restoring their lives.
86. _____ The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the foundation of my life and ministry.
87. _____ Others have recognized that often God has spoken clearly and directly to them through a message I have shared.
88. _____ I believe there is eternal significance in performing mundane tasks and service.
89. _____ I love discovering how the Gospel is woven throughout the entire Bible as I increasingly spend time in study.
90. _____ I can easily see which plan or strategy is the best one in a given circumstance.
91. _____ My desk or workspace is set up so I can access whatever I need quickly.
92. _____ Other pastors and leaders often come to me for help and guidance.
93. _____ Others have told me that my perceptions or judgments of people, situations, or statements have proved trustworthy.

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94. _____ Most of my conversations with non-Christians lead to me speaking about my faith in Jesus.
95. _____ If a person or a group is stumbling or deviating from the life God has intended for them, I will speak up and press them to remember and return to joyful life in Christ.
96. _____ I consistently encourage others to trust God in everything.
97. _____ I give generously and without pretense to the ministry of God's people.
98. _____ I can usually recall a Scripture verse or passage that applies to a given situation.
99. _____ I am more "visionary" than detail oriented. I concentrate more on the big picture than the day-to-day particulars.
100. _____ Others have showed appreciation that I have comforted and ministered to them at a low point in their lives.
101. _____ I build others up to be more like Jesus.
102. _____ I can recall times the Lord gave a specific message to His church through me.
103. _____ I find joy in being a helper and assisting others in their ministries.
104. _____ Often the Holy Spirit gives me just the right words to say when I am teaching an individual or group.
105. _____ I can often see through the confusion or conflict in a situation and provide a practical and Scriptural solution to it.

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Scoring Instructions:

Write your score (from 1-5) for each question in the box with that question number. Add up each column and write your total scores above the corresponding Gift Code. Once you have done this you can check the key below to see what spiritual gift each Gift Code represents. **The highest score for any gift is 35.** The higher the score, the stronger you are in that spiritual gift based on your responses. A score of **29 or higher** in any gift is a strong indicator of the presence of that gift in your life. Scores between **22 and 28** could indicate a spiritual gift in the “seedling” stage, particularly if one or more of your top three scores are in this range.

Scoring Matrix:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45
	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60
	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75
	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
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Total Scores															
Gift Codes	Ad	Ap	Di	Ev	Ex	Fa	Gi	Kn	Le	Me	Pa	Pr	Se	Te	Wi

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Gift Codes:



Ad = Administration

Fa = Faith

Pa = Pastor/Shepherd

Ap = Apostleship

Gi = Giving

Pr = Prophecy

Di = Discernment

Kn = Knowledge

Se = Serving/Ministering

Ev = Evangelism

Le = Leadership

Te = Teaching

Ex = Exhortation

Me = Mercy

Wi = Wisdom