

Message from God's Life-Giving Word  
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Made for Significance

You are SHAPED for significance (1 Corinthians 12:4-13):

Questions about Significance

1. Why am I here?

*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that **you may declare** the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.*  
1 Peter 2:9

2. I don't feel qualified.

*My **grace is sufficient** for you, for **my power** is made perfect **in weakness**.* 1 Corinthians 12:9

3. I am afraid.

*For we are **His workmanship** created in Christ Jesus for **good works** which God prepared beforehand, that we should **walk in them**.* Ephesians 2:10

Ordinary Opportunities – Extraordinary Impact

Next Steps

1. Journal the following: Make a list of some things you love to do for other people? Why do you enjoy them? Now list some things others appreciate, but you do not. This may seem simple, but why do you think you like to do some things that other people do not prefer? Do you tend to be considerate of other people's preferences? Why or why not? How might that same concept relate to your significant role in the Body of Christ – the Church?
  2. Read 1 Corinthians 12: 1-27. How does Paul describe the Body of Christ? Who is the head? What is the goal of the variety of gifts? According to the text, do you get to pick and choose how you have been shaped for significance? How does that effect you reading of the text?
  3. What is your S.H.A.P.E. (Spiritual Gifts-Heart (things you are passionate about) -Abilities- Personality-Experiences)? Spend some time considering and praying about it each of those categories and how they can be used for the betterment of the Church.
- REMEMBER:** *Your time in daily devotion and prayer is not just for your benefit. It's also for the benefit of others. Share what God is teaching you.*