

#### Introduction

Sometimes things just need doing
The church - a sharing community
strengthening each other by sharing different strengths (available times, abilities)
Discovering our gifts, passions, abilities, experiences through serving

# **Spiritual gifts: the partial lists**

Romans 12: Exhortation, giving, leadership, mercy, prophecy, service, teaching

1 Corinthians 12: administration, apostle, discernment, faith, healing, helps, knowledge, miracles, prophecy, teaching, tongues, tongues, interpretation wisdom

Ephesians 4: Apostle, Evangelism, Pastor, Prophecy, teaching

Miscellaneous Passages: celibacy (1 Cor. 7:7-8), hospitality (1 Pet. 4:9-10), martyrdom (1 Cor. 13:1-3), missionary (Eph. 3:6-8), voluntary poverty (1 Cor. 13:1-3)

# **Discovering our gifts**

Serving
Asking
Reading
Questionnaires

# Unravelling gifts through maturity and growth

As we grow and mature and have more experiences, we may discover more gifts

# We are more than our gifts

Our SHAPE^ consists of our Spiritual Gifts,

Heart (passions),

Abilities,

Personality, and

Experiences in life

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# **Spiritual Gift Survey**

Many types of surveys available with different gifts being assayed.

Our survey looks for the following gifts with seven questions for each category:

Administration, Apostleship, Craftsmanship, Creative Communication, Discernment, Encouragement, Evangelism, Faith, Giving, Helps, Hospitality, Intercession, Knowledge, Leadership, Mercy, Prophecy, Shepherding, Teaching, Wisdom

#### **Heart**

- 1) This category asks 4 questions:
   What drives you?
   Who are the people you most want to help?
   What are the needs I feel most drawn to?
   What cause am I most passionate about?
- 2) Identify what people you like to serve more?

  people in a certain age category (children adult), etc.,

  people with some issue (hospitalized, homeless, single, divorced, etc)
- 3) Issues or causes you feel strongly about education, justice, finances, ethics, disabilities, etc.

#### **Abilities**

Administrating, coaching, connecting, cooking, directing, encouraging, etc.

# **Personality**

There are various personality tests one could take (Enneagram, Myers-Briggs, etc) This document has a simpler approach:

- 1) How are you energized? Task or people oriented
- 2) How are you organized? Structured or unstructured

# **Experience**

Think about the different experiences that have impacted you:

- spiritual experiences
- Painful experiences
- **Educational experiences**
- Ministry experiences