



DISCOVER WHO GOD MADE YOU TO BE 🌈

“Your Kingdom Purpose”

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You were made to make a significant difference. And significance comes through service. We’ve spent several weeks discovering our SHAPE, and now it’s time to move from knowing our SHAPE to fulfilling our Kingdom Purpose. The 5 Steps outlined in this week’s sermon are meant to help you “GRASP” your specific Kingdom Purpose and begin fulfilling it for God’s glory. Simply put: we should know our SHAPE, and use it to serve!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What is your biggest surprise/“A HA!” Moment/takeaway thus far in the SHAPE series?
2. Have you ever served in a capacity that was very draining and not fulfilling? Share about your experience.
3. Have you ever served in a capacity that was very life-giving and fulfilling? Share about your experience. (If you have experienced both, then share why you think your serving experiences were so different.)
4. Read Philippians 3:12. For context, Paul is explaining that his overall goal in life is to know Christ and become like Christ. V12 gives insight into Paul’s belief that Christ took hold of him/his life for a specific purpose. For what purpose(s) do you think Christ wants to take hold of your life?

LIVING ON PURPOSE

1. Read John 15:5, Proverbs 3:5-6, and 2 Corinthians 3:4-5. Why do you think it is important to “Get with God” first, in order to GRASP your Kingdom Purpose/“sweet spot” for serving?
 - a. Read 1 John 1:9. What do you most appreciate about this promise? Why is it a short-yet-sweet description of the basic Gospel message?
2. Read Ephesians 3:20-21, Psalm 37:4, and Luke 18:27. Why do you think God wants our “Kingdom Dreams” to be BIG?!?
 - a. When have you had to totally depend on Him to do something, in an effort to totally display His love to others?
 - b. Why is total dependence upon God a good thing?

3. Read Romans 12:6-8. (PAUSE...and take a moment and PRAY a prayer of thanksgiving -- that God builds His church by giving his sons and daughters specific gifts to serve each other! What are some benefits to finding a service and a setting that suits our SHAPE...where you are serving in your "sweet spot?" Share from personal experience.
 - a. Share your statements with your group:

"God made me (your SHAPE) and when I (Your Purpose) I feel His pleasure."
4. Read Proverbs 27:17 and 15:22. Why is it wise to seek advice from mature people who care about you, and are interested in your spiritual growth?
 - a. Which three people will you seek wisdom from re: your plan/place to serve?
5. Share your plan with the group for at least "test-driving" your service in a way that fits your SHAPE, and thus fulfills your kingdom purpose. (*If you're already serving in a place that fits your SHAPE, share about how you got started, and why you're still doing it.
 - a. If you haven't taken the SHAPE survey yet online, commit to doing that this week, and ask one person to hold you accountable.

PRAYER DIRECTION

Thank God for the SHAPE and serving opportunities for the person on your right. Ask God to help each member of your group to GRASP his/her Kingdom Purpose, and encourage one another to take next steps to serving God/others on the church campus, or in the community. Pray about if/how/where you might serve together in the next 90 days.