

# I WAZ "SHAPED" TO DO WHAT?

Monday

Ephesians 2:10(LB) "Its God's himself who made us what we are and have given us new lives from Christ Jesus. Long ages ago he planned that we should spend these lives in helping others."

You weren't created just to consume sources: eat, breath, and take up space. You were designed by God to make a difference in your generation and your world. You were created to add to life on earth, not just to take from it. Everyone was built with a talent to be a blessing or of service. What God told Jeremiah is also true for you: "Before I made you in your mother's womb, I chose you. Before you were born, I set you apart for a special work."

**Today's thought:** You were placed on this earth for a special assignment.

Tuesday

2Tim 1:9 "It is he who saved us and chose us for his holy work, not because we deserved it but because that was his plan."

If you have been born again, it's for a purpose. You were saved to serve God. God redeemed you so that you can do his "holy work". You are not saved by service, but you are saved for service.

There's a need for everyone in God's kingdom to understand that there is a place, a purpose, a role, and a function in God's kingdom for each one of us to fulfill.

**Today's thought:** A saved heart is one that wants to serve. Since you became a believer have you found your talent, purpose- place in the body of christ?

Wednesday

For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office: so we being many, are one body in Christ, and even one members of one another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us: PROPHECY, MINISTRY\SERVICE, EXHORTATION\ADVICE, GIVING, LEADING, MERCY\COMPASSION

**TODAY'S THOUGHT:** Amongst these "body gifts"...find the one that fits you and develop it. Are you someone who speaks well? Or maybe you are someone who loves to serve or give advice... whatever it is...one of the above fits your make up or shape. Discover your spiritual gifts.

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# Thursday

"God works through different men in different ways, but it is the same God who achieves his purpose through them all." 1 Corinthians 12:6

In order to discover one's "shape" one of the things a person ought to look for is that which you love to do and what you care about most. The bible says, "As a face is reflected in water, so the heart reflects the person." Your heart reveals the real you. What's your passion? There are several things to look for to know that you are doing something from your heart: 1-Enthusiasm: you enjoy what you are doing; there's no need for reward, or applause. 2-Effectiveness: you are not only motivated to do what you enjoy doing but you are good at doing the "stuff."

**Today's thought:** Passion drives perfection. What are you good at doing that you love doing it?

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# Saturday

"Since we find ourselves fashioned into all these excellently formed and marvelously functioning parts in Christ's body, let's just go ahead and be what we were made to be."

Whatever we do in order to serve God and his people our personalities and experiences, are you a quiet person or a loud person? What dreadful or lovely experiences have you had that has marked your life and that you can use to be a blessing to others?

**Today's thought:** Serve God by serving other. Get off your "seat" and begin to serve. Make your self available.

# Friday

1 Corinthians 12:6 "There are different abilities to perform service, but the same God gives ability to all for their particular service."

All of our abilities come from God. Whether natural or supernatural, our different abilities originate from God.

Every ability can be used for God's glory. One of the most common excuses people give for not serving is: "I just don't have any abilities to offer". Every ability can be used for God's glory.

**Today's thought:** Nobody else can be me.