

The Journey Part 3

Spiritual Gifting and Knowing What God is doing

1. Spiritual Gifting

- A) You need to know what gifts God has given you naturally and spiritually
You and do this by taking a gifting test.
- B) Gifting test is only a way to begin to show you area of Gods gifting for you it is not always the exact. As you grow and mature as a Christian God develops those gifts and you can see changes in the test results. But if you take this gifting test about every two years you should see a pattern developing over the years in special areas of gifting. I have taken the gifting test over the span of my Christian walk and have found that the ministry of Helps was the first thing and then came along side of it Administration/Leadership and then Pastor. Helps has always been in my top gifting from the first gifting test to yesterday when I took the test.
- C) How do you know which one to take? I have found that most all of them that I have taken give me the same results. So it does not matter as far as I have seen but I did go out and found one online and have posted the links in this message that I have done and it has came out the same as all the other ones I have taken. Some have more gifting areas then others but I have found the base ones come up with the same results.
- D) Gifting site:
 - I) <http://www.kodachrome.org/spiritgift/>
 - II) <http://www.kodachrome.org/spiritgift/youth/>
 - III) The first one is for adults and now they have developed one for youth that is for 18 and under.
- E) I have come across so many Adults as well as youth that are searching for what God wants them to do. So they keep trying this, that and the other thing trying to find God's purpose in there life's. God has already given them the basic tools need to start doing his will in their life and if they would focus on developing what God has already given them then they would be on their way and God will use them in their gifting.

2. Knowing what God is doing

A) How do we know what God is doing?

I) Watch

- 1) We sometimes get so caught up in our day to day life's that we forget that we are here for a purpose (God's purpose) so we are no longer watching for what God is doing.

II) Listen

- 2) The only way to stay focus is to keep in the Word and continue your relationship with the Father and if you do you will be able to see what God is doing in and around you. You would not believe how many times God has shown me what He is doing through his Word when I am listening. And during my pray time and fellowship with Him.

B) How can I be a part?

I) Be aware

- 1) If we are watching and listening then we will be aware of what God is doing in and around you. But you have to keep you mind focused on Him and His will.
- 2) Do this you will see things going on in your life and those around you. Opening door for you to step in and God inviting you to join Him in what He is doing right now.
- 3) You will feel a urgency in an area. You may when you see something become very emotional. As you develop your relationship with the Father you to will feel what the Father feels. That is becoming more like Christ.

II) Be prepared

- 1) Develop your relationship with you and the Father. As you do you will take on the traits of the Father and know his heart.
- 2) Keep in the Word. Allow the Holy Spirit to teach you.
- 3) Develop your spiritual gifts. That could be volunteer you're gifting to your local church and outreach ministries. Or it could mean going to a Bible College. But the one thing you need to know is that God has already given you the gifts to do His will we just need to see them and use them and God will do the rest.