

**Day 32**

Ephesians 5.17

Galatians 6.4

**Day 32- Using What God Gave You**

God made you what he wants you to be. If that is what God wanted, we need to learn to rejoice in what he gave us, not be jealous or frustrated at what he didn't. He designed you with a purpose and it is in fulfilling that purpose that you will find true joy and happiness. So how do we figure out what our design is?

*Test yourself.* Don't always rely on some standardized spiritual gifts test. Get into God's Word. Spend time with him. Get plugged into different ministries. Then you will be better able to judge what makes you happy and complete, and what you are gifted in. Think about yourself. Not what serves you, but where do you enjoy serving? What is an area that doesn't feel like a chore, but you look forward to it time and again? In what area do others see you doing your best and enjoying it? These questions will help aim you toward a good area of service for you.

*Look at your record.* Where's an area that you've seen God work through you before? Where is an area that you have been hurt? Examine yourself and remember that God can use both of these things to develop your service for him.

*When you find where you fit, enjoy it!* Get involved and develop it. Do what it takes to be a part of God's work, and continually work at areas where you can improve your service. Don't focus on others and wish that you were them, focus on developing your shape and your relationship with God personally, and he will use you in a unique way that no one else can match.

**Thinking about my purpose:**

**Know.** God deserves my best.

**Remember.** "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth." -2 Timothy 2.15 (NIV)

**Think about it.** What has God given me that I can begin developing today?