

THE WORK GOD SHAPED ME TO DO

WORK MATTERS • Part 4

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"You (God) shaped me -- first inside, then out; you formed me in my mother's womb... You know me inside and out, you know every bone in my body; You know exactly how I was made, bit by bit... Like an open book, you watched me grow from conception to birth; ALL the stages of my life were spread out before you, the days of my life all prepared before I'd even lived one day!"

Psalm 139:13-16 (MSG)

WHAT'S MY SHAPE?

S = SPIRITUAL GIFTS

H = HEART

A = ABILITIES

P = PERSONALITY

E = EXPERIENCES

WHY IS MY SHAPE IMPORTANT?

1. IT REVEALS GOD'S PURPOSE FOR ME

"Before I shaped you in the womb, I knew all about you. Before you saw the light of day, I had holy plans for you." **Jeremiah 1:5 (MSG)**

"Bring me all the people who are mine, whom I made for my glory, those I formed and created." **Isaiah 43:7 (NIV)**

2. IT EQUIPS ME FOR MY LIFE MISSION AND MESSAGE

"(God) formed me in my mother's womb to be his servant, and he commissioned me..." **Isaiah 49:5 (NLT)**

"The people I have shaped for myself will broadcast my praises." **Isaiah 43:21 (NJB)**

3. GOD IS WATCHING HOW I USE MY SHAPE

"From where he sits God overlooks all of us on earth. He has shaped each person in turn; now he watches everything we do."

Psalm 33:14-15 (MSG)

"Take it seriously, Israel, that you're my servant. I made you, and shaped you: You're my servant." **Isaiah 44:21 (MSG)**

AM I IN OR OUT OF SHAPE AT WORK?

When I'm NOT doing what God shaped me to do...

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When I'm doing what God shaped me to do...

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HOW DO I FIND THE WORK I'M SHAPED FOR?

1. _____
"Try to have a sane estimate of your capabilities by the light of the faith God has given to you." **Romans 12:3 (Ph)**

"Did all your experiences mean nothing at all? Surely it meant something!"
Galatians 3:4

2. _____
"Dreaming all the time instead of working is foolishness. And there is ruin in a flood of empty words." **Ecclesiastes 5:7 (NLT)**

"Put these abilities to work; throw yourself into your tasks so everyone may notice your improvement and progress." **1 Timothy 4:15 (LB)**

"Whatever work you do, do your best." **Ecclesiastes 9:10 (NCV)**

3. _____
"If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get anything done."
Ecclesiastes 11:4 (NLT)

"Commit your work to the Lord, and then your plans will succeed."
Proverbs 16:3 (NLT)