

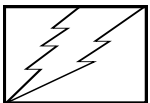
Before you will find some form of **Meaningful Ministry...**

1. *What are your . . .* **Spiritual gifts?**



1. Every Christian has a **spiritual gift** from God (I Peter 4:10).
2. Spiritual gifts vary among people; they create an interdependence within the church (Rom. 12:6; I Cor. 12).
3. All are important though different (I Cor. 12:14-25).
4. The purpose for spiritual gifts is for the common good - in service (I Cor. 12:7; Eph. 4:12).
5. They are distributed sovereignly by the Holy Spirit - "as He wills" (I Cor. 12:11,18).
6. You can improve the effectiveness of your gifts (I Tim. 4:14-15), or you can neglect them.

2. *What is your . . .* **Passion?**



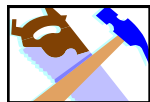
What gets you excited? stirs your emotions? makes you angry?
Your **passion** is the driving interest that leads you to action and involvement.
It represents those activities that you most enjoy, and those issues which burn most deeply in your soul. Ministries connected to your passion prevent boredom and burnout.

3. *What is your . . .* **Temperament?**



Who has God made you to be? How do you uniquely relate to people and tasks?
***EXTROVERT** or **INTROVERT**? — Where does your energy come from?
***THINKER** or **FEELER**? — Primarily, how do you arrive at decisions?
***ROUTINE** or **VARIETY**? — What is your basic life preference?
By determining your **temperament** you discover which specific kinds of ministries are best suited for you as an individual.

4. *What are your . . .* **Talents / Training?**



God, in His creative wisdom, showered His grace on all people. He gave every person **talents, abilities, and skills** to use for vocational purposes and / or to use for His glory.
*In what areas are you particularly competent or skilled?
*What have you been trained to do that could be used in God's service?

5. *What is your . . .* **Spiritual Maturity?**



All of us arrive at opportunities to serve at different levels of **maturity** and **readiness**. This sometimes makes a difference in whether or not we should accept specific Christian tasks.
*Are you a **SEEKER**?
*Are you a **NEW / YOUNG BELIEVER**?
*Are you a **STABLE / GROWING BELIEVER**?
*Are you a **LEADING / GUIDING BELIEVER**?

6. *What is your . . .* **Availability?**



Of course, the final key is your **availability**. What you will end up doing for God is greatly dependent upon how much time and energy you will choose to give to the task(s) at hand.
***Light** commitment or unavailable
***Moderate** commitment, available
***Strong** commitment, significantly available
***Major** commitment, able and willing to adjust personal schedule to facilitate ministry