

Discovering Your “Sweet Spot” for Service

8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast. 10 For we are God’s **handiwork**, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.
Ephesians 2:8-10

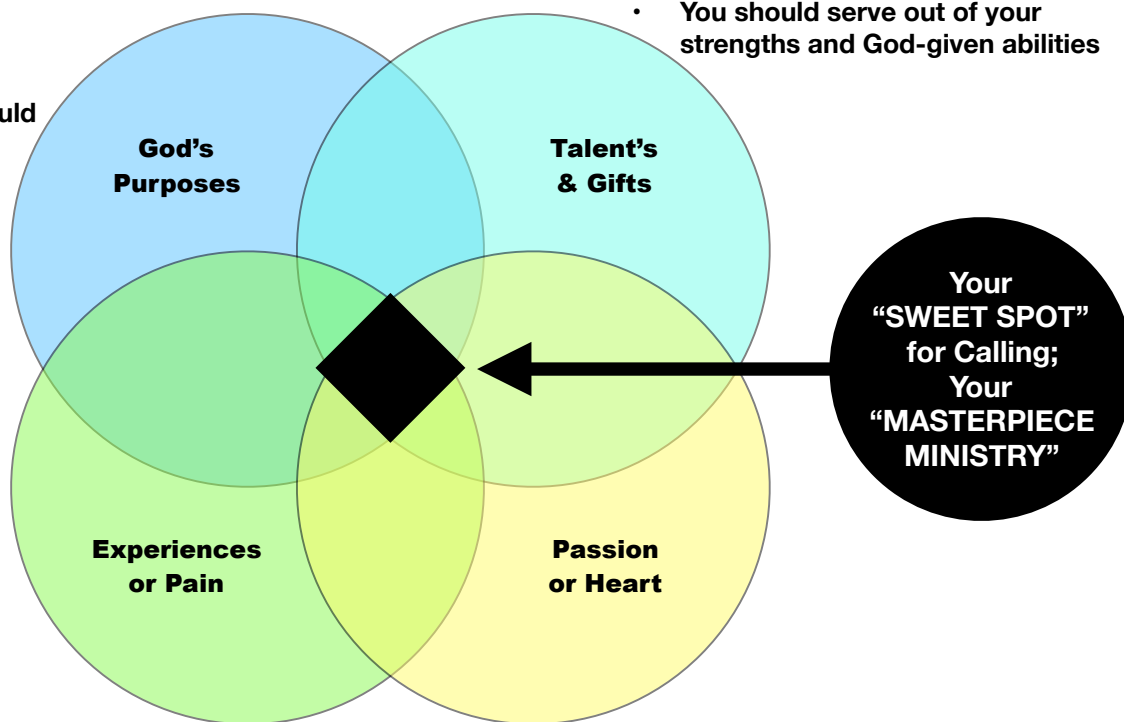
- Greek = “poiema”
- “work of art”
- “masterpiece”

- Gleaned from the Word of God
- Mark 12:28-31 — “Jesus said, The most important commandment is this: ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”
- Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Joshua 24:14-15; Matthew 25:31-46; Matthew 28:19-20

- What are you good at?
- Skills
- What are your spiritual gifts?
- 1 Cor 12; 1 Cor 14; Rom 12; Eph 4

- **You should serve out of your strengths and God-given abilities**

- **Your ministries should be consistent with Biblical Priorities**



- Make a list of key moments in your life
- Good and bad; best and worst
- Moments of greatest success
- Moments of greatest pain
- **Think about how you can help (minister to) others because of your particular life experiences**

- What issues in the world really stir you?
- Deepest interests / hobbies?
- What do you care about most?
- **Can you conceive of a ministry for Christ that involves the people/things about which you care most?**