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John 13:3-4 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into His hands, and that He had come from God and was going to God,... began to wash the disciples' feet...

Not everyone is aware of the tremendous potential God has placed within them. And some do not believe they are able to make a significant contribution in the Kingdom of God. This series is designed to equip us to live fruitful and fulfilled lives by understanding our God-given Passion, our Spiritual Gifts and abilities, and our unique personality. In the verse above, Jesus, Himself, exemplified a life of purpose. And because we are created in His Image (Genesis 1:26), we have a great purpose to fulfill as well.

THREE BUILDING BLOCKS TO LIVING OUR PURPOSE

1. Part 1 | Our **PASSION** tells us WHERE we can make a significant impact.
 - What ONE issue is of greatest importance to me? What is one thing I can do to make this world a better place?
2. Part 2 | OUR **SPIRITUAL GIFTS** tell us WHAT we do best in the Kingdom of God.
3. Part 3 | OUR **PERSONAL STYLE** tells us HOW we can serve with confidence. This is our own unique personality.

TAKING A CLOSER LOOK AT SPIRITUAL GIFTS

1. We are to be aware of our gifts and learn to use them as God provides the opportunities.
 - 1 Corinthians 12:1 *Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be ignorant (uninformed).*

2. In the original Greek the word for “gift,” as used in the context of a Spiritual Gift, is “charis” or “charisma.” It is an ability that, when used by the Holy Spirit, brings joy and results in devotion to God and a love for others in the Body of Christ.
 - 1 Corinthians 12:4-6 *There are diversities of gifts (charis, charisma), but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries (diakonia), but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities (Energema), but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all..*
3. The Body of Christ is diverse and made up of a vast array of people functioning in many different ways and gifts.
 - Romans 12:4-5 *For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. (1 Corinthians 12:12-31)*
4. Spiritual Gifts are distributed by the Holy Spirit to every believer for meaningful service.
 - 1 Corinthians 12:11, 18 *All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.*
5. We will be held accountable for whether or not we use them in obedience to the Holy Spirit.
 - Matthew 25:14-30 *Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness! (1 Corinthians 4:2, 1 Peter 4:10)*
6. Spiritual Gifts are given for the building up of the body of Christ by empowering members to serve one another. Through the use of Spiritual Gifts, God's love flows through ME to others!
 - Ephesians 4:11-16 *...From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.*



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