

## You Are SHAPED for Ministry - Week 6

**SHAPE** is everything that you are made of that has made you who you are.

**1. You are hard wired with a Spiritual Gift mix that is as unique as your fingerprint. God has given them to you to be opened, examined and enjoyed.** *1 Peter 4:10; Luke 10:30-35*

**2. What you are Passionate about in your heart reveals the real you, and God wants to use your heart passions to make a difference in this world, and ultimately to lead others to Christ.** *Proverbs 27:19; Proverbs 4:23; John 4:34*

**3. Our God given Abilities are God's way of showing us that He is fond of us, that He delights in us.** *Exodus 35:31-33;*

**4. God wants you to understand and embrace your Personality and its strengths so that you can flourish and best be used by Him.** *Psalms 139:14; John 10:10b*

### **Lion- "Let's do it now!"**

Directing, driving, determined doer  
Active and task-oriented  
Basic motive- challenge and control

### **Otter- "Trust me, it will work!"**

Social, amiable, creative, innovative and love to play!  
Active and people-oriented  
Basic motivation- approval and recognition

### **Golden Retriever- "Let's keep things the way they are."**

Gentle, steady, warm and supportive  
Passive and people-oriented  
Basic motivation is stability and support

### **Beaver- "Let's do it right!"**

Detail-oriented, quality conscious, steady, predictable  
Passive and task-oriented  
Basic motivation- quality and correctness

**5) Our Experiences are the things in our lives that leave their mark on us. Good or bad, awful or beautiful, they have a profound effect on how we live our lives.** *Romans 8:28; 2 Corinthians 1:3-4*

**Jesus came and died for us to forgive our sins and reconcile us back to the Father, but also to redeem every part of our SHAPE to glorify God and be used for His purposes.** *1 Thessalonians 5:23-24*

**What is it about you that God can use in a creative way to influence others and lead them to Him? Will you bring it under His redeeming blood today?** *Romans 12:1-2*

### **Life Application Questions:**

1. Do you know what your top 2 motivational gifts are from the list in Romans 12? Share and discuss how you are using them in the real world.
2. What are you passionate about? What gets you fired up? Have you thought about doing anything about it? Discuss.
3. What are some of your natural abilities? What category do your abilities fit into: working with people, things or information?
4. Do you know what your personality profile is? How does your personality mix influence and interact with people at your work or with friends and family? Are you in your sweet spot at work?
5. What experiences in your life is God using, or could He use, to influence or help people come to Him? How?