



# **SERVING**

## **Understanding My S.H.A.P.E.**

# 1 Corinthians 12:7 (NLT)

A spiritual gift is given to each of us  
so we can help each other.

A cada uno se le da una manifestación especial del  
Espíritu para el bien de los demás.

# Three Ways God Wants You to Use Your Gifts

- Through an ongoing MINISTRY
- Through SHORT-TERM projects
- Through SPONTANEOUS situations

**“IT’S EASIER TO DISCOVER YOUR GIFT  
THROUGH MINISTRY THAN TO DISCOVER  
YOUR MINISTRY THROUGH YOUR GIFT.”**

# UNWRAPPING MY GIFTS

The four major lists of spiritual gifts are found in:

**Romans 12:4-8**

**1 Corinthians 12:1-11, 27-31**

**Ephesians 4:11-12**

**1 Peter 4:9-11**

**All gifts are given to help the church  
FULFILL ITS PURPOSES**

**The gift of tongues is the LEAST of the spiritual gifts.**

## **1 Corinthians 12:28-31 (NIV)**

And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues.

En la iglesia Dios ha puesto, en primer lugar, apóstoles; en segundo lugar, profetas; en tercer lugar, maestros; luego los que hacen milagros; después los que tienen dones para sanar enfermos, los que ayudan a otros, los que administran y los que hablan en diversas lenguas.



# 1 Corinthians 12:28-31 (NIV)

<sup>29</sup> Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup> Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup> But eagerly desire the greater gifts.

<sup>29</sup> ¿Son todos apóstoles? ¿Son todos profetas? ¿Son todos maestros? ¿Hacen todos milagros? <sup>30</sup> ¿Tienen todos dones para sanar enfermos? ¿Hablan todos en lenguas? ¿Acaso interpretan todos? <sup>31</sup> Ustedes, por su parte, ambicionen los mejores dones.

**The gift of tongues is the ability to pray in a language understood only by God or one who's given the gift of interpretation at that time.**

**The gift of tongues is for PERSONAL EDIFICATION.**

## 1 Corinthians 14:4-5 (NIV)

He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. <sup>5</sup> I would like every one of you to speak in tongues, but I would rather have you prophesy. He who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may be edified.

El que habla en lenguas se edifica a sí mismo; en cambio, el que profetiza edifica a la iglesia. <sup>5</sup> Yo quisiera que todos ustedes hablaran en lenguas, pero mucho más que profetizaran. El que profetiza aventaja al que habla en lenguas, a menos que éste también interprete, para que la iglesia reciba edificación.

# 1 Corinthians 14:26 (NIV)

What then shall we say, brothers? When you come together, everyone has a hymn, or a word of instruction, a revelation, a tongue or an interpretation. **All of these must be done for the strengthening of the church.**

¿Qué concluimos, hermanos? Que cuando se reúnan, cada uno puede tener un himno, una enseñanza, una revelación, un mensaje en lenguas, o una interpretación. **Todo esto debe hacerse para la edificación de la iglesia.**

## **1 Corinthians 14:27-28** (NIV)

If anyone speaks in a tongue, two — or at the most three — should speak, one at a time, and someone must interpret. <sup>28</sup> If there is no interpreter, the speaker should keep quiet in the church and speak to himself and God.

Si se habla en lenguas, que hablen dos—o cuando mucho tres—, cada uno por turno; y que alguien interprete. <sup>28</sup> Si no hay intérprete, que guarden silencio en la iglesia y cada uno hable para sí mismo y para Dios.

# 1 Corinthians 14:23 (NIV)

So if the whole church comes together and everyone speaks in tongues, and some who do not understand or some unbelievers come in, will they not say that you are out of your mind?

Así que, si toda la iglesia se reúne y todos hablan en lenguas, y entran algunos que no entienden o no creen, ¿no dirán que ustedes están locos?

**A worship service is to have ORDER.**



# 1 Corinthians 14:33 (NIV)

For God is not a God of disorder but of peace.

porque Dios no es un Dios de desorden sino de paz.

# 1 Corinthians 14:33 (NIV)

Therefore, my brothers, be eager to prophesy,  
and do not forbid speaking in tongues.

Así que, hermanos míos, ambicionen el don de  
profetizar, y no prohíban que se hable en lenguas.

## **1 Corinthians 14:18-19 (NIV)**

I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. <sup>19</sup> But in the church I would rather speak five intelligible words to instruct others than ten thousand words in a tongue.

Doy gracias a Dios porque hablo en lenguas más que todos ustedes. <sup>19</sup> Sin embargo, en la iglesia prefiero emplear cinco palabras comprensibles y que me sirvan para instruir a los demás, que diez mil palabras en lenguas.

**My heart is the REAL me!**

**In the Bible, the word “heart” represents the center of your  
MOTIVATION, DESIRES, and INCLINATIONS.**

# My Heart Determines...

1. Why I SAY the things I do.

# Matthew 12:34 (NIV)

For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks.

De la abundancia del corazón habla la boca

## My Heart Determines...

1. Why I SAY the things I do.
2. Why I FEEL the way I do.



## Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

For the word of God is living and active... it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

Ciertamente, la palabra de Dios es viva y poderosa... y juzga los pensamientos y las intenciones del corazón.

## My Heart Determines...

1. Why I SAY the things I do.
2. Why I FEEL the way I do.
3. Why I ACT the way I do.

## Proverbs 4:23 (NIV)

Guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life.

Por sobre todas las cosas cuida tu corazón,  
porque de él mana la vida.

**Why Has God Given Each Person a Unique Heartbeat?**

## Philippians 2:13 (NIV)

For it is God who works in you to will and to act  
in order to fulfill His good purpose.

pues Dios es quien produce en ustedes tanto el  
querer como el hacer para que se cumpla su  
buena voluntad.

**You can do God's will and serve God's purpose by letting your heartbeat MOTIVATE you for ministry.**

## Three Ways in which your heart or passion is directed:

- passion for A ROLE (what you love to do)
- passion for SPECIFIC PEOPLE (whom you like to help)
- passion for A CAUSE (what I get excited about)

## Romans 12:6 (NLT)

In His grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well.

Dios, en su gracia, nos ha dado dones diferentes para hacer bien determinadas cosas.



# 1 Corinthians 12:6 (GNT)

There are different abilities to perform service.

Existen diferentes capacidades para realizar el servicio.

## Exodus 31:3 (NIV)

and I [God] have filled him with the Spirit of God,  
with skill, ability and knowledge in all kinds of crafts

y yo [Dios] lo he llenado del Espíritu de Dios, de destreza,  
habilidad y conocimiento en toda clase de oficios.

## Six Misconceptions about Your Abilities

- MYTH: Most people only have a FEW abilities.
- MYTH: People aren't born with skills. All skills must be LEARNED through EXPERIENCE.
- MYTH: You will be very aware of the ABILITIES you possess.

## Six Misconceptions about Your Abilities

- MYTH: You must have NATURAL TALENT to develop skills.
- MYTH: Skills, which must be learned, are learned primarily IN THE CLASSROOM.
- MYTH: Skills that I use AT WORK are only usable in that environment. I can't use them in ministry.

## **Romans 8:28** (NIV)

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

Ahora bien, sabemos que Dios dispone todas las cosas para el bien de quienes lo aman, los que han sido llamados de acuerdo con su propósito.

## Philippians 1:12 (NIV)

Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel.

Hermanos, quiero que sepan que, en realidad, lo que me ha pasado ha contribuido al avance del evangelio.

**“We should use our experiences to help others.”**

## 2 Corinthians 1:3-4 (TLB)

[God] wonderfully comforts and strengthens us in our hardships and trials. And why does he do this? So that when others are troubled, needing our sympathy and encouragement, we can pass on to them the same help and comfort God has given us.

Alabado sea el Dios y Padre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, Padre misericordioso y Dios de toda consolación, 4 quien nos consuela en todas nuestras tribulaciones para que con el mismo consuelo que de Dios hemos recibido, también nosotros podamos consolar a todos los que sufren