Track Two: Discover Your Purpose

Overview of Track Two:

1. Discussion of Purpose

"So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for Him." ROMANS 12:1 MSG

you	
- It's Important for you to where you're at to	where
4. What you're	
3. What comes to you.	
2. What do	
1. What you're	
Things That Make You, You!	
You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in n womb. Thank You for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmans marvelous—how well I know it. PSALM 139:13-14 NLT	-
Your Design:	
*All help carry out your!	
"God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be them the same comfort God has given us." 2 CORINTHIANS 1:3–4 NLT	
3. Your	

- Mark 10:45

a ransom for many.

1 your gifts.	
2 your gifts.	
3 your gifts.	
Personality:	
Defined: The combination of distinctive	that form an individual's
Personality Affects the Following:	
1. Your	
2. How you	
3. Your	
4. Your	
5. How you	
Why Personality Is Important:	
1. It helps you build	·
2. It can determine success in your	_·
Personality development helps you	

How To Start:

Things To Keep In Mind:	

1. Personality		
2. It does not	who you are.	
3. It helps	who you are, but doesn't	who you
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Who Are You?

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability:
1. What am I GOOD at?
2. What do I ENJOY doing?
3. What comes NATURALLY to me?

Please take the time to fill out the Spiritual Gifts Survey & The MBTI Personality Test!

SPIRITUAL GIFTS SURVEY

DIRECTIONS

This is not a test, so there are no wrong answers. The **Spiritual Gifts Survey** consists of 80 statements. Some items reflect concrete actions; other items are descriptive traits; and still others are statements of belief.

- Select the one response you feel best characterizes yourself and place that number in the blank provided. Record your answer in the blank beside each item.
- Do not spend too much time on any one item. Remember, it is not a test. Usually your immediate response is best.
- Please give an answer for each item. Do not skip any items.
- Do not ask others how they are answering or how they think you should answer.
- Work at your own pace.

Your response choices are:

- **5**—Highly characteristic of me/definitely true for me
- 4—Most of the time this would describe me/be true for me
- **3**—Frequently characteristic of me/true for me-about 50 percent of the time
- **2**—Occasionally characteristic of me/true for me–about 25 percent of the time **1**—Not at all characteristic of me/definitely untrue for me
- _____ 1. I have the ability to organize ideas, resources, time, and people effectively. 2. I am willing to study and prepare for the task of teaching. _____ 3. I am able to relate the truths of God to specific situations. 4. I have a God-given ability to help others grow in their faith. _____ 5. I possess a special ability to communicate the truth of salvation. 6. I have the ability to make critical decisions when necessary. 7. I am sensitive to the hurts of people. 8. I experience joy in meeting needs through sharing possessions. _____ 9. I enjoy studying. 10. I have delivered God's message of warning and judgment. _____ 11. I am able to sense the true motivation of persons and movements. 12. I have a special ability to trust God in difficult situations. _____ 13. I have a strong desire to contribute to the establishment of new churches. _____ 14. I take action to meet physical and practical needs rather than merely talking about or planning to help. _____ 15. I enjoy entertaining guests in my home. _____ 16. I can adapt my guidance to fit the maturity of those working with me. 17. I can delegate and assign meaningful work.

18. I	have an ability and desire to teach.
19. l	am usually able to analyze a situation correctly.
20. I	have a natural tendency to encourage others.
21. I	am willing to take the initiative in helping other Christians grow in their faith.
22. I	have an acute awareness of the emotions of other people, such as loneliness, pain, fear, and anger.
23. I	am a cheerful giver.
24. I	spend time digging into facts.
25. I	feel that I have a message from God to deliver to others.
26. I	can recognize when a person is genuine/honest.
27. l	am a person of vision (a clear mental portrait of a preferable future given by God). I am able to communicate vision in such a way that others commit to making the vision a reality.
28. I	am willing to yield to God's will rather than question and waver.
29. I	would like to be more active in getting the gospel to people in other lands.
30. It	makes me happy to do things for people in need.
31. I	am successful in getting a group to do its work joyfully.
32. I	am able to make strangers feel at ease.
33. I	have the ability to plan learning approaches.
34. I	can identify those who need encouragement.
35. I	have trained Christians to be more obedient disciples of Christ.
36. I	am willing to do whatever it takes to see others come to Christ.
37. l	am attracted to people who are hurting.
38. I	am a generous giver.
39. I	am able to discover new truths.
40. I	have spiritual insights from Scripture concerning issues and people that compel me to speak out.
41. I	can sense when a person is acting in accord with God's will.
42. I	can trust in God even when things look dark.
43. I	can determine where God wants a group to go and help it get there.
44. I	have a strong desire to take the gospel to places where it has never been heard.
45. l	enjoy reaching out to new people in my church and community.
46. I	am sensitive to the needs of people.
47. I	have been able to make effective and efficient plans for accomplishing the goals of a group.

48. I often am consulted when fellow Christians are struggling to make difficult decisions.
49. I think about how I can comfort and encourage others in my congregation.
50. I am able to give spiritual direction to others.
51. I am able to present the gospel to lost persons in such a way that they accept the Lord and His salvation.
52. I possess an unusual capacity to understand the feelings of those in distress.
53. I have a strong sense of stewardship based on the recognition that God owns all things.
54. I have delivered to other persons messages that have come directly from God.
55. I can sense when a person is acting under God's leadership.
56. I try to be in God's will continually and be available for His use.
57. I feel that I should take the gospel to people who have different beliefs from me.
58. I have an acute awareness of the physical needs of others.
59. I am skilled in setting forth positive and precise steps of action.
60. I like to meet visitors at church and make them feel welcome.
61. I explain Scripture in such a way that others understand it.
62. I can usually see spiritual solutions to problems.
63. I welcome opportunities to help people who need comfort, consolation, encouragement, and counseling.
64. I feel at ease in sharing Christ with nonbelievers.
65. I can influence others to perform to their highest God-given potential.
66. I recognize the signs of stress and distress in others.
67. I desire to give generously and unpretentiously to worthwhile projects and ministries.
68. I can organize facts into meaningful relationships.
69. God gives me messages to deliver to His people.
70. I am able to sense whether people are being honest when they tell of their religious experiences.
71. I enjoy presenting the gospel to persons of other cultures and backgrounds.
72. I enjoy doing little things that help people.
73. I can give a clear, uncomplicated presentation.
74. I have been able to apply biblical truth to the specific needs of my church.
75. God has used me to encourage others to live Christlike lives.
76. I have sensed the need to help other people become more effective in their ministries.

77. I like to talk about Jesus to those who do not know Him.
78. I have the ability to make strangers feel comfortable in my home.
79. I have a wide range of study resources and know how to secure information.
80. I feel assured that a situation will change for the glory of God even when the situation seem impossible.

SCORING YOUR SURVEY

Follow these directions to figure your score for each spiritual gift.

- 1. Place in each box your numerical response (1-5) to the item number which is indicated below the box.
- 2. For each gift, add the numbers in the boxes and put the total in the TOTAL box.

LEADERSHIP		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 6		Item 16		Item 27		Item 43		Item 65	TOTAL
ADMINISTRATION		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 1		Item 17		Item 31		Item 47		Item 59	TOTAL
TEACHING		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 2		Item 18		Item 33		Item 61		Item 73	TOTAL
KNOWLEDGE		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 9		Item 24		Item 39		Item 68		Item 79	TOTAL
WISDOM		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 3		Item 19		Item 48		Item 62		Item 74	TOTAL
PROPHECY		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 10		Item 25		Item 40		Item 54		Item 69	TOTAL
DISCERNMENT		+		+		+		+	=	
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EXHORTATION		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 20		Item 34		Item 49		Item 63		Item 75	TOTAL
SHEPHERDING		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 4		Item 21		Item 35		Item 50		Item 76	TOTAL
FAITH		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 12		Item 28		Item 42		Item 56		Item 80	TOTAL
EVANGELISM		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 5		Item 36		Item 51		Item 64		Item 77	TOTAL
APOSTLESHIP		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 13		Item 29		Item 44		Item 57		Item 71	TOTAL
SERVICE/HELPS		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 14		Item 30		Item 46		Item 58		Item 72	TOTAL
MERCY		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 7		Item 22		Item 37		Item 52		Item 66	TOTAL
GIVING		+		+		+		+	=	
	Item 8		Item 23		Item 38		Item 53		Item 67	TOTAL
HOSPITALITY		+		+	-	+	-	+	=	
	Item 15		Item 32		Item 45		Item 60		Item 78	TOTAL

MBTI Personality Type Test

1. At a party do you:

- a. Interact with many, including strangers
- b. Interact with a few, known to you

2. Are you more:

- a. Realistic than speculative
- b. Speculative than realistic

3. Is it worse to:

- a. Have your "head in the clouds"
- b. Be "in a rut"

4. Are you more impressed by:

- a. Principles
- b. Emotions

5. Are more drawn toward the:

- a. Convincing
- b. Touching

6. Do you prefer to work:

- a. To deadlines
- b. Just "whenever"

7. Do you tend to choose:

- a. Rather carefully
- b. Somewhat impulsively

8. At parties do you:

- a. Stay late, with increasing energy
- b. Leave early with decreased energy

9. Are you more attracted to:

- a. Sensible people
- b. Imaginative people

10. Are you more interested in:

- a. What is actual
- b. What is possible

11. In judging others are you more swayed by:

- a. Laws than circumstances
- b. Circumstances than laws

12. In approaching others is your inclination to be somewhat:

- a. Objective
- b. Personal

13. Are you more:

- a. Punctual
- b. Leisurely

14. Does it bother you more having things:

- a. Incomplete
- b. Completed

15. In your social groups do you:

- a. Keep abreast of other's happenings
- b. Get behind on the news

16. In doing ordinary things are you more likely to:

- a. Do it the usual way
- b. Do it your own way

17. Writers should:

- a. "Say what they mean and mean what they say"
- b. Express things more by use of analogy

18. Which appeals to you more:

- a. Consistency of thought
- b. Harmonious human relationships

19. Are you more comfortable in making:

- a. Logical judgments
- b. Value judgments

20. Do you want things:

- a. Settled and decided
- b. Unsettled and undecided

21. Would you say you are more:

- a. Serious and determined
- b. Easy-going

22. In phoning do you:

- a. Rarely question that it will all be said
- b. Rehearse what you'll say

23. Facts:

- a. "Speak for themselves"
- b. Illustrate principles

24. Are visionaries:

- a. somewhat annoying
- b. rather fascinating

25. Are you more often:

- a. a cool-headed person
- b. a warm-hearted person

26. Is it worse to be:

- a. unjust
- b. merciless

27. Should one usually let events occur:

- a. by careful selection and choice
- b. randomly and by chance

28. Do you feel better about:

- a. having purchased
- b. having the option to buy

29. In company do you:

- a. initiate conversation
- b. wait to be approached

30. Common sense is:

- a. rarely questionable
- b. frequently questionable

31. Children often do not:

- a. make themselves useful enough
- b. exercise their fantasy enough

32. In making decisions do you feel more comfortable with:

- a. standards
- b. feelings

33. Are you more:

- a. firm than gentle
- b. gentle than firm

34. Which is more admirable:

- a. the ability to organize and be methodical
- b. the ability to adapt and make do

35. Do you put more value on:

- a. infinite
- b. open-minded

36. Does new and non-routine interaction with others:

- a. stimulate and energize you
- b. tax your reserves

37. Are you more frequently:

- a. a practical sort of person
- b. a fanciful sort of person

38. Are you more likely to:

- a. see how others are useful
- b. see how others see

39. Which is more satisfying:

- a. to discuss an issue thoroughly
- b. to arrive at agreement on an issue

40. Which rules you more:

- a. your head
- b. your heart

41. Are you more comfortable with work that

is:

- a. contracted
- b. done on a casual basis

42. Do you tend to look for:

- a. the orderly
- b. whatever turns up

43. Do you prefer:

- a. many friends with brief contact
- b. a few friends with more lengthy contact

44. Do you go more by:

- a. facts
- b. principles

45. Are you more interested in:

- a. production and distribution
- b. design and research

46. Which is more of a compliment:

- a. "There is a very logical person."
- b. "There is a very sentimental person."

47. Do you value in yourself more that you are:

- a. unwavering
- b. devoted

48. Do you more often prefer the

- a. final and unalterable statement
- b. tentative and preliminary statement

49. Are you more comfortable:

- a. after a decision
- b. before a decision

50. Do you:

- a. speak easily and at length with strangers
- b. find little to say to strangers

51. Are you more likely to trust your:

- a. experience
- b. hunch

52. Do you feel:

- a. more practical than ingenious
- b. more ingenious than practical

53. Which person is more to be complimented

- one of:
- a. clear reason
- b. strong feeling

54. Are you inclined more to be:

- a. fair-minded
- b. sympathetic

55. Is it preferable mostly to:

- a. make sure things are arranged
- b. just let things happen

56. In relationships should most things be:

- a. re-negotiable
- b. random and circumstantial

57. When the phone rings do you:

- a. hasten to get to it first
- b. hope someone else will answer

58. Do you prize more in yourself:

- a. a strong sense of reality
- b. a vivid imagination

59. Are you drawn more to:

- a. fundamentals
- b. overtones

60. Which seems the greater error:

- a. to be too passionate
- b. to be too objective

61. Do you see yourself as basically:

- a. hard-headed
- b. soft-hearted

62. Which situation appeals to you more:

- a. the structured and scheduled
- b. the unstructured and unscheduled

63. Are you a person that is more:

- a. routinized than whimsical
- b. whimsical than routinized

64. Are you more inclined to be:

- a. easy to approach
- b. somewhat reserved

65. In writings do you prefer:

- a. the more literal
- b. the more figurative

66. Is it harder for you to:

- a. identify with others
- b. utilize others

67. Which do you wish more for yourself:

- a. clarity of reason
- b. strength of compassion

68. Which is the greater fault:

- a. being indiscriminate
- b. being critical

69. Do you prefer the:

- a. planned event
- b. unplanned event

70. Do you tend to be more:

- a. deliberate than spontaneous
- b. spontaneous than deliberate

Scoring

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- 1. Copy your answers to this answer key carefully.
- 2. Count the number of checks in each of the A and B columns, and total at the bottom.
- 3. Copy the totals for Column 2 to the spaces below the totals for Column 3. Do the same for Columns 4 and 6.
- 4. Add totals downwards to calculate your totals.
- 5. Circle the letter with this highest score. This is your type.

Your Personality Type: