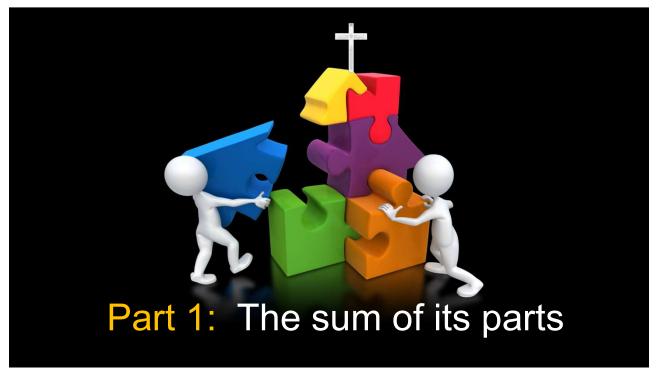
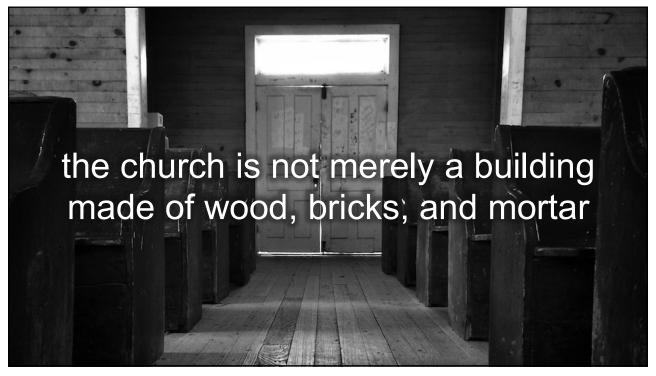
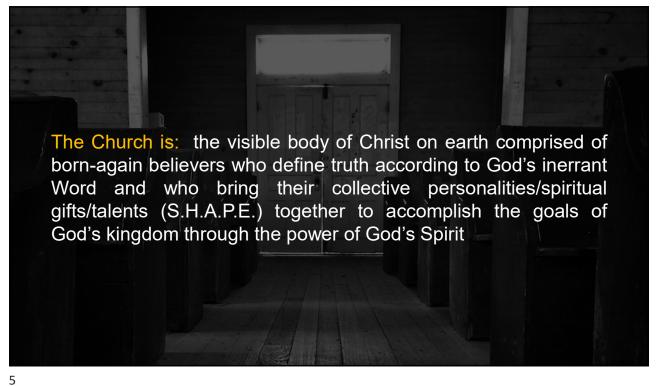
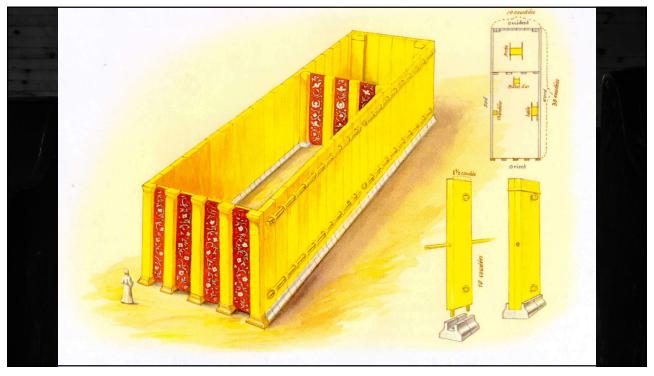


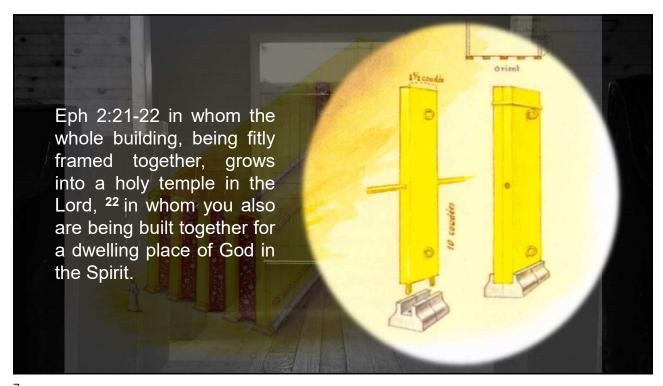
S.H.A.P.E.D. to serve Part 2: The difference we make











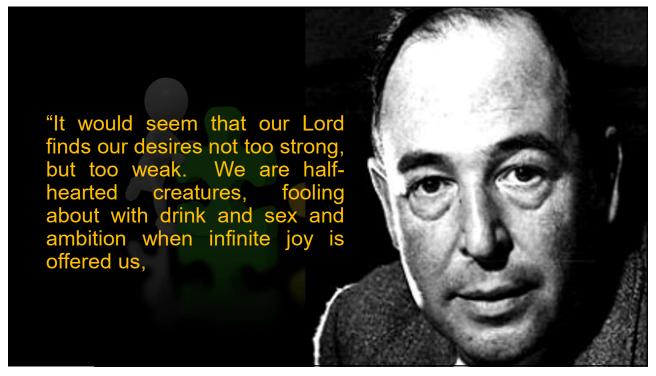
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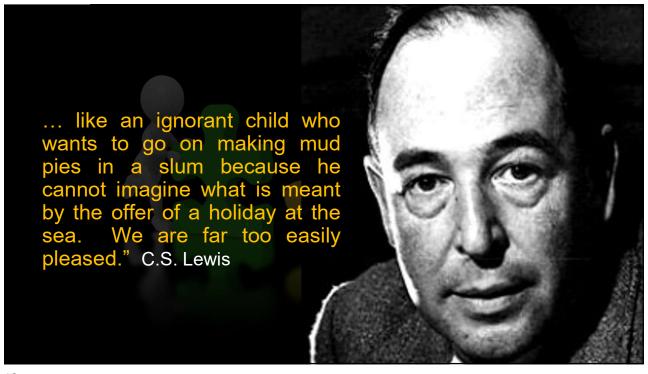




1. You were S.H.A.P.E.D. to make a difference for time and eternity







I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well. ¹⁵ My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, and skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. ¹⁶Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them. Ps 139:14-16

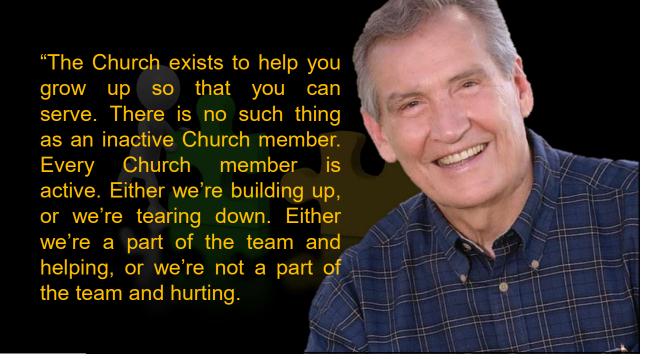


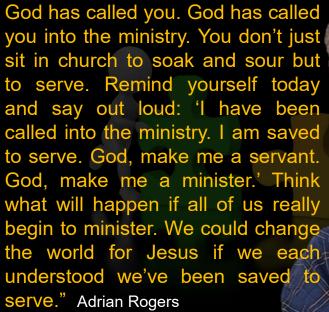


Kingdom purpose:

Your specific contribution to the body of Christ, within your generation, that causes you to totally depend on God and authentically display his love toward others – all through the expression of your unique S.H.A.P.E.

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3. You must first discover who you are; then you can determine what God wants you to be.

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. Eph 2:10

Workmanship = "poiema": work of art

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"Tom Landry once said, 'I have a job to do that is not very complicated, but it is often difficult: to get a group of men to do what they don't want to do so they can achieve the one thing they have wanted all their lives.' Coach Landry, in that seemingly contradictory statement, described what discipline is all about . . . doing what we don't want to do so we can accomplish what we've always wanted." Chuck Swindoll

4. You are uniquely and divinely S.H.A.P.E.D. to be a functioning member of Jesus' body

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1 Cor 12:4-7 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. ⁷But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:

Unique: in a way that belongs or is connected to only one particular person or thing

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S.H.A.P.E. = Spiritual gifts Heart's desires Abilities/talents Personality type Experiences in life

According to Scripture: • God is the potter • We are the clay

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Jer 18:1-6 Then I went down to the potter's house, and there he was, making something at the wheel. ⁴ And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter; so he made it again into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to make. ⁵ Then the word of the Lord came to me, saying: ⁶ "O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter?" says the Lord. "Look, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in My hand, O house of Israel!

Is 64:8 But now, O Lord, You are our Father; we are the clay, and You our potter; and all we are the work of Your hand.

2 Cor 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us.

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Phil 1:6 being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ;

5. Our primary task is to focus on God's Kingdom Purpose He has for each one of us.

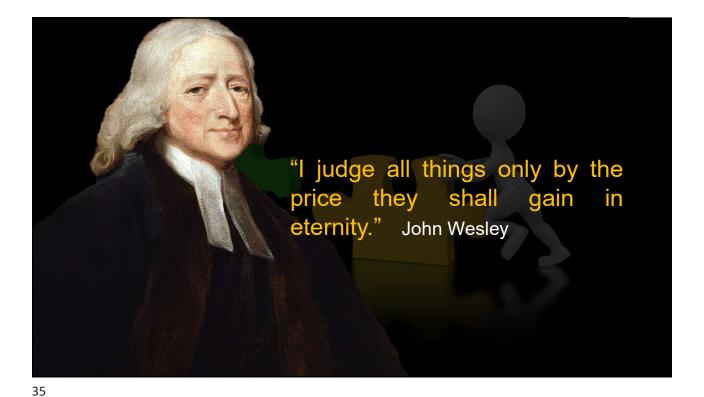
- · What is my life's dream?
- What is it that I am truly willing to die for?
- What do I want my epitaph to say?
- If I were to have unlimited resources of time, people and money, plus a divine guarantee of success, what would I do with the rest of my life?

6. Every believer will account to God for how they use their S.H.A.P.E. to honor Him and obey His plan for their life.

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1 Cor 3:9-15 For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. ¹⁰ According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it.

2 Cor 5:9-11 Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. ¹⁰ For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. ¹¹ Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are well known to God, and I also trust are well known in your consciences.



D.L. Moody

F.B. Meyer

Wilbur Chapman

Billy Sunday

Mordecai Ham

Billy Graham

"If you get to where you're going, where will you be? If you accomplish your goals, what will you have? And here's the big question: Are the things you are living for worth Jesus dying for?" Adrian Rogers

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