

Your Gift is Making Room for You – Bible Study lesson

The primary purpose for spiritual gifts is so the Holy Spirit can use us to edify the church, promote unity among believers, and ultimately bring glory to God.

Proverbs 18:16 (NASB)

16 A person's gift makes room for him And brings him before great people.

Romans 1:11 (NASB)

11 For I long to see you so that I may impart some spiritual gift to you, that you may be established;

It is a man's or woman's gift that defines his/her space on Earth. In the scriptures we read we find a few facts about our gifts. **I. Gifts create space for us to operate. II. They cause us to be noticed by people in authority. III. They can be imparted by someone who possesses them. IV. They are for our establishment in the world.** Utilizing one's gifts can create pathways to opportunities and influence various aspects of life. With this in mind, let's examine: **Your Gift is Making Room for You**

Matthew 25:14-21 (NASB)

14 "For it is just like a man about to go on a journey, who called his own slaves and entrusted his possessions to them.

15 To one he gave five talents, to another, two, and to another, one, each according to his own ability; and he went on his journey.

16 The one who had received the five talents immediately went and did business with them, and earned five more talents.

17 In the same way the one who had received the two talents earned two more.

18 But he who received the one talent went away and dug a hole in the ground, and hid his master's money.

19 “Now after a long time the master of those slaves *came and *settled accounts with them.

20 The one who had received the five talents came up and brought five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you entrusted five talents to me. See, I have earned five more talents.’

21 His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter the joy of your master.’

When individuals utilize their God-given gifts and talents, they attract attention and recognition. In the parable, Jesus illustrates how servants who used their talents wisely were rewarded and recognized for their abilities. He also noted how servants who failed to utilize their talents were also recognized. **Remember, it’s not about us. But, when we utilize our gifts, it brings glory to God and recognition to us**

1. Your gift is making room for recognition.

Proverbs 27:17 (NASB)

17 As iron sharpens iron, So one person sharpens another.

Sharing and demonstrating one’s gifts can foster meaningful connections with others. Consistent fellowship with others who have similar or complementing gifts can lead to opportunities for greater relationships. **Engaging with others through our gifts can strengthen relationships and open doors.**

2. Your gift is making room for relationships.

Galatians 5:13 (NLT)

13 For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don’t use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love.

Using our gifts to serve others exemplifies humility and can lead to greater opportunities for influence in the Kingdom of God. Serving with our gifts can enhance our presence among influential individuals. There is always someone watching that can greatly bless and assist us in the assignment God has given us. **Remember service always leads to elevation.**

3. Your gift is making room for service and contribution.

Proverbs 22:29 (NASB)

29 Do you see a person skilled in his work? He will stand before kings; He will not stand before obscure people.

God's gifts always add value to the lives of others. This can often lead to a demand for one's contributions, resulting in more open doors. When we become proficient in operating our gifts, we become known as a specialist in a particular area. **When we add value to the lives of others, we make a significant impact in the world.**

4. Your gift is making room to create value.

1 Samuel 16:18 (NASB)

18 Then one of the young men responded and said, "Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite who is a skillful musician, a valiant mighty man, a warrior, skillful in speech, and a handsome man; and the Lord is with him."

When our gifts are used effectively, they can lead to invitations to significant roles or projects. In the passage we read, David is recognized for his skill in music and his character. This led to his appointment to serve King Saul. His gifts opened the door to a significant role in the kingdom. **Eventually, he became king in the very place where he served as a musician.**

5. Your gift is making room for credibility and authority.

It is a man's or woman's gift that defines his/her space on Earth. Learning to properly operate and utilize our gifts can create pathways to

opportunities and influence various aspects of life. Remember, **Your Gift is Making Room for You.**