

Who Am I?

Discover what God says I can do

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Ephesians 2:10 "He creates each of us by Christ Jesus to join him in the work he does, the good work he has gotten ready for us to do, work we had better be doing." (MSG= The Message)

1. God Says I Can Do What I'm _____ To Do

- Know Your Spiritual Gifting Design

I Corinthians 12:7 "A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other." (NLT=New Living Translation)

I Corinthians 12:11 "It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have." (NLT)

- Know Your Unique Personality Design

Psalms 139:13-14 "You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it." (NLT)

- Know Your _____ Design

2. God Says I Can Do What I'm _____ To Do

II Corinthians 4:7 "We now have this light shining in our hearts, but we ourselves are like fragile clay jars containing this great treasure. This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves." (NLT)

- Choose obedience

Joshua 1:8 "Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do." (NLT)

- Choose risk
- Don't wait for power - _____

3. God Says I Can Do What I'm _____ To Do

Ephesians 4:1 "Therefore I, a prisoner for serving the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God." (NLT)

- General things every believer is called by God to do

Matthew 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father." (NLT)

- Specific things each individual is called by God to do

4. God Says I Can Do _____ Than I Think I Can Do

Ephesians 3:20 "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us." (NIV=New International Version)

- Start the journey
- Stop focusing on your _____
- Learn to depend on God and His power for success
- Become a living example

I Corinthians 1:26-29 "Remember, dear brothers and sisters, that few of you were wise in the world's eyes or powerful or wealthy when God called you. ²⁷Instead, God chose things the world considers foolish in order to shame those who think they are wise. And he chose things that are powerless to shame those who are powerful. ²⁸God chose things despised by the world, things counted as nothing at all, and used them to bring to nothing what the world considers important. ²⁹As a result, no one can ever boast in the presence of God." (NLT)

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Discussion Questions:

1. How does our unique design determine our doing? What practical things can you be pursuing to better understand how God designed you?
2. Is it a difficult thing to believe we are empowered? Why / why not? How can we tap into this power?
3. Why is it difficult at times to believe we have a calling upon our lives from God? Describe the general calling that is upon all followers of Jesus and your specific calling from God? Remember the funnel illustration?
4. How can we experience a life where God does more than we can ask or imagine? How do we follow Jesus in this experience?
5. What is the significance of I Corinthians 1:26-29? Do you find this encouraging?