

Living Your Strengths: Discover Your God-Given Talents and Inspire Your Community

Benefits to Ministry Leaders:

Help your ministry team discover their unique God-given gifts and empower them to serve God and His Church effectively and joyfully.

Benefits to Individuals:

- ◆ Empowered to serve with joy
- ◆ Higher ministry effectiveness
- ◆ Work is productive/enjoyable
- ◆ Ministry team is engaged in making a positive difference!



Who Should Attend this Workshop?

- Individuals who desire to understand themselves better and become empowered toward greater performance and life satisfaction.
- Christians who want to serve by using their God-given strengths.
- Ministry leaders and congregational members with the desire to contribute according to what they do best.

What Can You Expect?

This course will outline the foundation of Clifton Strengths®, help individuals understand and use their top talents and turn their talents into effective strengths.

Note: We will be use “Living Your Strengths: Discover Your God-Given Talents and Inspire Your Community” (sold at Amazon and other fine retailers); it includes an assessment code for the online Clifton assessment.

Participants of this course will:

- *Understand their Clifton StrengthsFinder® results, and discover the power of the “right fit” for ministry.*
- *Realize God’s unique gifts and ways His gifts impact individuals , families, and our communities.*
- *Be given tools and approaches to applying strengths to their own goals and objectives.*
- *Practice effective gift/strengths-based communication; tackle difficult conversations, work well together.*
- *Become more energized and more productive and have a greater sense of well-being.*
- *Learn to use strengths as a team.*
- *Will be offered the 90 Day Challenge (details provided during the class).*

What is a Talent?

Talents are naturally recurring patterns of thought, feeling, or behavior that can be productively applied. Talents are a gift from God, not something we can learn or acquire. As a gift from God, talents are *transferable* from one situation to another situation. We gain knowledge and we acquire skills, but talents are God's gift to each individual. Talents:

- Describe us and influence our choices.
- Direct our actions and explains why we are better at some things than others.
- Help us filter our world and influences our behaviors, activities, and relationships.
- Plays a part in how we respond to specific situations; they tend to describe how we think, feel and behave.

What turns a "Talent" into a "Strength"?

Making a talent into a strength begins with *discovery*; naming and defining our unique talents. This will give us "permission" to celebrate the unique way God created us as an individual. It will also help us stop trying to be who we are not and concentrate on who we are in Christ.

People who utilize their CliftonStrengths® every day are THREE TIMES as likely to report having an excellent quality of life and SIX TIMES as likely to be engaged in their jobs!

Our Core Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in every-one it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines."

For More Information and to register for this course:

- Please email Pastor Phil Pledger
- Due to Covid factors, we will meet via Zoom starting Monday, September 14th, 7PM (until 8PM).
- Once you acquire the book, please use the coupon and take the assessment. I will provide a way for you to share your results with me prior to first class session.
- Contact Pastor if you need help with the book costs.



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