

Series 6B

Practical Steps (**To be recorded**)

1. You will identify your purpose while you are sowing your time in helping others live their purpose
2. Your giftings, attributes, and wisdom will become visible to you and others.
3. Because we have our own purpose from the Holy Spirit, it will differ for each of us. You will be drawn to a certain part of the ministry or a certain group of people
4. Your work will never be known among people but to God.

The identifier of your purpose is revealed through the measure of faith given to us

Meditate on Romans 12, focus on the spiritual gifts

To know the will of God, you and **I should decide** that we are not following the world system. **You have to decide in your heart**, I am going after what God would like me to do, what He would like me to say, where he would like me to go. **This is called renewing your mind** to see transformation in our lives

Stumbling Block to hear the will of God: Pride “ I know what I am capable of doing.”

Be open to others to give you insight

Discerning the **degree of faith given to you for a purpose designed for service** – Assignment for the season

Meditate on Romans 12, focus on the spiritual gifts

Presenting ourselves to God is pleasing to God – Because he is sovereign in his decision making, he will not be moved by anyone to make the right decision for you. By surrendering to God, we approve of his will (his plan and purpose)

Paul lists spiritual **gifts** given by God to the church:

1. **Prophecy** – Speaking God’s truth boldly and accurately
2. **Serving** – Practical ministry through action
3. **Teaching** – Explaining and applying Scripture clearly
4. **Encouragement** – Motivating, strengthening, comforting
5. **Giving** – Sharing resources generously and joyfully
6. **Leadership** – Guiding and coordinating with diligence
7. **Mercy** – Showing compassion with joy
8. **Love** – Be affectionate and give preference to one another in honour
9. **Zeal** – For the Lord in serving
10. **Prayer** – Devoted to seeking God for wisdom, guidance and strength

11. **Contributing** to the needs of God's people
12. **Hospitality** – Serving people
13. **Live in peace** with everyone

Paul reminds us:

God distributes these gifts according to a *measure of faith*.

How do I increase the measure of my faith?

Jesus was asked by his 12 apostles, "Increase our faith" In other words, our ability to confidently trust in God and in his power.

Jesus encouraged them to act on the faith they already have in God, which could be very little or not noticeable. Jesus then goes on to say in Luke 17:6-10 that if we do the little that we are assigned to do, our faith is activated, and that little faith increases every time we do what the Lord calls us to do.

Keep following the assignment from the Lord for each season, and when that assignment is done, the Lord will increase your faith for a bigger assignment.

Our Faith is measured according to the assignment given by the Lord. We must tap into our God-given faith because faith comes by hearing his word, and it becomes God-like faith (Romans 10:17 and Mark 11:22)

When we have an attitude of a servant doing what is given to do, the Lord, who is the master, will give us an increase in our faith for something greater than what we did before.

Ministry Time: Which of the gifts can you relate to? , Keep doing it until the Lord move you into another assignment, it will not be the same measure of faith that you will be operating in.