

## Small Group Study: Discovering Your S.H.A.P.E.

**Abilities:** The set of talents that God gave you when you were born, which he also wants to use to make an impact for Him.

### Memory Verse: Psalm 139:14

*"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."*

### **Special Bible Reading Meditation: Matthew 25:14-30**

(Read the word everyday this week)

1. How can using your talents glorify God?  
*Let people share how they glorify God with their talents.*

*Think of how artists, musicians, etc use their talents to glorify God. Every year my wife and I go to Spirit West Coast and it is a blessing to see men and women God has gifted using it all to His glory. We are blessed at EVC to have Dave Hook, Galley Molina, and a host of others with amazing musical talent all given to the glory of God. To have a great speaker and sometime comedian like Tim glorify God with His talents is a blessing. Yet no matter what you do you can glorify God. In how you do your job and by how you use your job or other talent to open the door for glorifying and claiming Christ as your King.*

2. How can you relate this parable from Jesus as instruction to you about using the abilities that God has given you to use for His glory?  
*God wants us to use whatever He gives us to it's fullest in faith. Whether it is, money or abilities, it is all His and He deserves the best stewardship of what He has given us.*

3. List some of your own natural and learned abilities:  
*Let people share and help them along and encourage them.*

*I have the ability to teach and help others learn. I have the ability to stay calm in stressful situations and not over react or get over worried or anxious about things. These things have helped me as a leader and as a Pastor.*

4. How could God use your natural and learned abilities to touch lives for His Kingdom purpose?  
*Let people share.*