

WHY GOD SHAPED YOU THE WAY HE DID

Shaped To Make A Difference - Part 1 of 6

You made my whole being; You formed me in my mother's body. I praise You because You made me in an amazing and wonderful way... All the days planned for me were written in Your book before I was one day old. Psa. 139:13-16 (NCV)

Your hands formed and shaped me... Job 10:8a (GN)

WHAT IS MY "SHAPE"?

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WHY SHOULD I CARE HOW I'M SHAPED?

1. BECAUSE MY SHAPE _____

Before I shaped you in the womb, I knew all about you. Before you saw the light of day, I had holy plans for you: A spokesman to the nations – that's what I had in mind for you. Jer. 1:5

In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you." Rom. 12:6 (NLT)

2. BECAUSE MY SHAPE _____

(God) formed me in my mother's womb to be His servant, and He commissioned me... Isa. 49:5 (NLT)

3. BECAUSE _____

From where He sits God overlooks all of us on earth. He has shaped each person in turn; now He watches everything we do. Psa. 33:14-15 (Mes)

4. BECAUSE MY SHAPE _____

Bring Me all the people who are Mine, whom I made for My glory, those I formed and created. Isa. 43:7 (NCV)

The people I have shaped for Myself will broadcast My praises. Isa. 43:21 (NJB)

HOW SHOULD I RESPOND TO MY SHAPE?

1. ACCEPTANCE: _____

My friend, I ask, "Who do you think you are to question God? Does the clay have the right to ask the potter why he shaped it the way he did?" Rom. 9:20 (CEV)

By the grace of God I am what I am. 1 Cor. 15:10 (NLT)

2. SALVATION: _____

Let Your love, God, shape my life with salvation, exactly as You promise. Psa. 119:41 (Mes)

No, we neither make nor save ourselves. God does both the making and saving. 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. Eph. 2:10 (Mes)

Jesus explained, "I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself. He does only what he sees the Father doing. Whatever the Father does, the Son also does. For the Father loves the Son and shows him everything he is doing." John 5:19-20 (NLT)

3. REFOCUS: _____

The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart. 1 Sam. 16:7

For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him. Phil. 2:13 (NLT)

Work hard to show the results of your salvation, obeying God with deep reverence and fear. Phil. 2:12 (NLT)