

Building A Better You For A Brighter Tomorrow

Part 3: "Spiritual Fingerprints"

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I CAN HAVE MY MOST FULFILLING CONNECTION TO GOD...

1. ...WHEN I _____ AND _____ THE ME GOD CREATED ME TO BE.

"<u>Make a careful exploration of who you are</u> and the work you have been given, and then sink yourself into that. Don't be impressed with yourself. <u>Don't compare yourself with others</u>. Each of you must take responsibility for doing the creative best you can with your own life." **Galatians 6:4-5** (MSG)

"As Jesus and the disciples continued on their way to Jerusalem, they came to a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. Her sister, Mary, sat at the Lord's feet, listening to what he taught. But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing. She came to Jesus and said, 'Lord, doesn't it seem unfair to you that my sister just sits here while I do all the work? Tell her to come and help me.' But the Lord said to her, 'My dear Martha, you are worried and upset over all these details! There is only one thing worth being concerned about. Mary has discovered it, and it will not be taken away from her."

Luke 10:38-42 (NLT)

2. ...WHEN I _____ ACCORDING TO MY

"The <u>heavens proclaim</u> the glory of God. The <u>skies display</u> his craftsmanship."

Psalm 19:1 (NLT)

"Anna, a prophet, was also there in the Temple. She was the daughter of Phanuel from the tribe of Asher, and she was very old. Her husband died when they had been married only seven years. Then she lived as a widow to the age of eighty-four. <u>She never left the</u> <u>Temple but stayed there day and night,</u> worshiping God with fasting and prayer." **Luke 2:36-37** (NLT)

"Then John went from place to place on both sides of the Jordan River, preaching that people should be baptized to show that <u>they</u> <u>had repented of their sins and turned to God</u> to be forgiven."

Luke 3:3 (NLT)

- Naturalists: Connect to God through the outdoors and nature.
- Sensates: Connect to God through the senses.
- Traditionalists: Connect to God through ritual and symbol.
- Ascetics: Connect to God through solitude and simplicity.
- Activists: Connect to God through justice and confrontation.
- **Caregivers**: Connect to God through loving others practically.
- Enthusiasts: Connect to God through mystery and celebration.
- **Contemplatives**: Connect to God through time and adoration.
- **Intellectuals**: Connect to God through their minds and understanding.

3. ...WHEN I MAKE SPACE IN MY LIFE TO APPRECIATE THE _____ AND _____ OF WHO HE IS.

"O God, you are my God; I earnestly search for you. My soul thirsts for you; my whole body longs for you in this parched and weary land where there is no water."

Psalm 63:1 (NLT)