

Creativity

The gift of creativity is the ability to use artistic skills such as art, drama, music, writing, dance, etc. for the glory of God and the edification of the church.

Scriptural References

Exodus 15:20-21, Exodus 31:1-11, Judges 5:1-31, 1 Samuel 16:14-23, 2 Samuel 6:12-15, 1 Chronicles 16:41-42, 2 Chronicles 5:10-14, Psalms 100 & 150, 1 Corinthians 14:26, Ephesians 5:19-20, Colossians 3:16

Biblical Models

Miriam, Deborah, David

People with this gift can

- Use creative expression to captivate people's imagination and inspire faith.
- Use the arts to challenge people's perspectives of God.
- Find fresh ways to convey the message and meaning of Christ's ministry.

Cautions

- May use this gift for personal acclaim rather than to glory God.
- May neglect to practice, and not be diligent developing the craft and skill of the gift.
- May not also have the gift of leadership, and so should not assume directing or leading roles.
- May find evaluation and constructive criticism difficult to receive.
- May find it difficult to work as part of a team.

Personal Traits

- Expressive
- Artistic
- Idea-oriented
- Imaginative
- Creative
- Sensitive

Tips for nurturing this gift

- Find others who share your gift for support
- Practice the skills as well as the art.
- Look for ways your gift can strengthen and beautify the church.

Possible Tasks

- Creating art for the church, decorating, banners, providing music and drama for worship, ...

Not to be confused with the responsibility of all Christians to ...

Be open to God's novelty.