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UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

21 DAYS OF PRAYER + FASTING — January 5 through 25

Let's pray together, Church! United across the globe, Foursquare churches are setting aside Jan. 5-25, 2026, for 2I Days of Prayer + Fasting. Sign up now at **FoursquarePrayer.org** *to join in, and each day in January, you'll receive an emailed devotional to guide your time with Scripture, reflection, and prayer. Enjoy writing in the margins? You can download a free book or buy a full-color version from Amazon. There is even a book for kids and families!*

FINDING YOUR DESTINY GROWTH TRACK— Sunday, January 11, 1:00-4:00 pm

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER? *Pastor Valerie will be hosting the Finding Your Destiny Growth Track in January. We encourage you to attend. Especially new visitors who want to find out what we are all about, members who wish to learn more about themselves and how they can fit and serve in our body, and anyone who wants to lead a small group, volunteer team, or serve in hands-on ministry.*

GIFTED (SPIRITUAL GIFTS CLASSES) — Wednesdays, 6:00 pm, beginning January 14

Holy Spirit has provided each of us with spiritual gifts that we can use to bless others. Join us as we explore these gifts and grow in our capacity to partner with Holy Spirit in their use. Join us weekly on **Wednesday nights** *or* **monthly** *on the* **4th Sunday** *(Jan. 25, Feb. 22, Mar. 22, and Apr. 26) from* **1:00-6:00 pm**. *Both classes will be led by Pastor Valerie in the office building.*

WOMEN'S GAME NIGHT — Friday, January 16, 6:00 pm

Join the ladies for an evening of fun, games, and fellowship. We will be meeting in the office building.

MEN'S GAME NIGHT — Saturday, January 17, 6:00 pm

Bring your favorite family-friendly board or dice games and enjoy a night of gaming, fellowship, and snacks. There is no cost for this event. nacks will be provided.

We love capturing moments of worship and community. Photos and videos may be taken today for Destiny Foursquare's online and promotional use. If you'd rather not appear, let our Welcome Team know.

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MESSAGE NOTES

01.04.26 | GIFTED, Part 1: You Are God's Masterpiece

_____ BEFORE ACTIVITY

For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago. **Ephesians 2:10 NLT**

1. **You are God's Masterpiece.**

2. **God _____-_____ you for impact.**

   The Greek word for "masterpiece" is *poiēma*, which is where we get the word "poem." In other words, *your life is meant to beautifully display and speak of Jesus.*

3. **The enemy _____ what God designs.**

   The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came so that they would have life, and have it abundantly. **John 10:10 NASB**

   a. _____
   b. INSECURITY
   c. WOUNDS
   d. _____

4. **God didn't just save you _____ something; He save you _____ something.**

   ...*so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago.* **Ephesians 2:10b NLT**

5. **We are designed to _____ our spiritual gifts.**

   Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord. There are varieties of effects, but the same God who works all things in all persons. But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. **1 Corinthians 12:4-7 NASB**

6. **The Kingdon does not grow through _____; it grows through _____ lives.**

   ...whoever wants to become prominent among you shall be your servant, and whoever desires to be first among you shall be your slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many. **Matthew 20:26b-28 NASB**

   For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work among you will complete it by the day of Christ Jesus. **Philippians 1:6 NASB**

PRACTICAL TAKEAWAYS

1. Stop saying what God never said.
2. Say "yes" to the discovery process.
3. Start paying attention to the ways God already uses you.
4. Ask Holy Spirit to begin revealing your gifts.
5. Expect God to stretch you.

GIFTED

WEEK 1 IDENTITY WORKSHEET

You Are God's Masterpiece

For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago. **Ephesians 2:10 NLT**

We have become his poetry, a re-created people that will fulfill the destiny he has given each of us, for we are joined to Jesus, the Anointed One. Even before we were born, God planned in advance our destiny and the good works we would do to fulfill it! **Ephesians 2:10 TPT**

Circle or underline the word(s) or phrase(s) that stand out to you most in this verse.

1. WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT ME

Read the statements below slowly. Don't rush. Let Holy Spirit speak as you read.

- ☐ I am God's masterpiece.
- ☐ I am intentionally designed by God.
- ☐ I was created on purpose, for a purpose.
- ☐ I am not an accident or an afterthought.
- ☐ God has placed value and potential inside me.
- ☐ I have something meaningful to offer the Kingdom of God.

Which of these statements is hardest for you to believe right now? Why? _____

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2. COMPARISON CHECK

Comparison often shapes how we see ourselves — even when we don't realize it.

Who do you tend to compare yourself to most often? _____

When you compare, what thoughts usually come to mind about yourself? _____

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Remember: Comparison doesn't reveal your weakness — it hides your design.

3. LIES VS. TRUTH

Take a moment to honestly reflect. There is no shame here — only grace.

Lies I've Believed About Myself (Write any thoughts that come to mind)

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

God's Truth (Ask Holy Spirit to speak truth in place of each lie)

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

4. CLUES GOD MAY HAVE ALREADY GIVEN ME

Sometimes God shows us our design long before we recognize it.

Complete the sentences below honestly and without overthinking.

- As a kid, I loved to... _____.
- People often come to me for... _____.
- I feel most alive when I... _____.
- I naturally notice when... _____.
- I'm often passionate about... _____.

5. REFLECTION

Take a quiet moment and reflect on what you've written.

What patterns or themes do you notice emerging? _____

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6. PRAYER OF SURRENDER + DISCOVERY

Read this prayer as written or personalize it in your own words.

Holy Spirit, thank You for creating me with purpose.
I surrender comparison, insecurity, fear, and past wounds to You.
Help me see myself the way You see me.
Begin to reveal the gifts You've placed inside me,
and show me how You want to use my life for Your Kingdom.
In Jesus' name, amen.

7. LOOKING AHEAD

Next week, we will begin discovering how Holy Spirit empowers us with spiritual gifts.

□ I commit to discovering my SHAPE over the next few weeks.

REMEMBER:

God's design for your life is not random. You are His masterpiece.