

The Connect Church

CONNECT 2.0

(Student's Outline)

Introduction to
The Connect Church
Family

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INTRODUCTION

Welcome to Connect 3.0!

The purpose of this step is to help you discover your unique SHAPE. Our hope is that this understanding will help you find a fulfilling path to making a difference with your life. Together, let's discover all that God has planned for our generation and make a positive impact for the Kingdom. *"For we are His **workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus for good **works**, which God prepared beforehand so that we would **walk** in them."* Ephesians 2:10 (NASB)

THE GOAL OF THIS CLASS:

This class is designed to help me discover how my _____ to reveal my _____.

In this class, we will be connecting the dots between your Spiritual gifts, Heart, Abilities Personality, and Experiences (SHAPE). Properly connecting these dots is key to living a life of purpose and impact, which in turn leads to fulfillment.

"Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater works than these he will do; because I go to the Father." John 14:12 (NASB)

DISCOVERING YOUR PERSONALITY

1. Examining Four Personality Types

- "D" _____
- "I" _____
- "S" _____
- "C" _____

"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:14 (NIV)

- **There are no bad personalities.**

2. Elements that Help to Develop Your Personality

- A. _____: Your history
- B. _____: Both professional and spiritual
- C. _____: Other people's influence
- D. _____: Both pleasant and painful

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"
2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV 1984)

How To Take The Personality Assessment

Step 1: Answer each question under sections 1–4 by circling the number that best describes you. Allow yourself two to three minutes to complete this step before moving on to other steps. Do not over think your answers.

Step 2: Add the total of circled numbers for the five statements under each section. Write each total on the indicated total line for each section.

Step 3: Identify the group with the highest totaled number and the second highest totaled number to discover your dominant personality traits.

Box 1 = “D” personality

Box 2 = “I” personality

Box 3 = “S” personality

Box 4 = “C” personality

Write your predominant personality traits sequence in the top right-hand corner (DI, ID, SC, CD, etc.).

Step 4: Read the description of your most predominant personality trait (D, I, S, C) and the description of your two highest personality traits together (DI, ID, SC, CD, etc.).

Simple DIScovery

(Administer this section in 2 min)

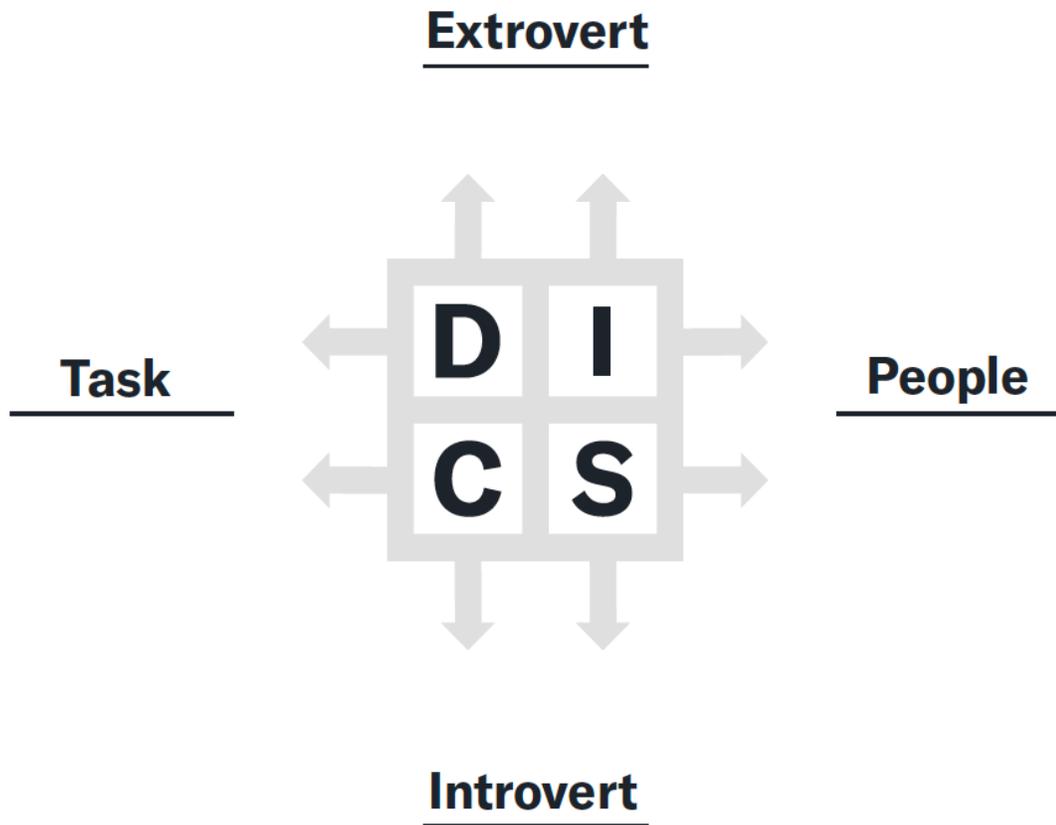
My Personality / Leadership Style _____

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
1. Total _____	1	2	3	4	5
I am assertive, demanding, and decisive.	1	2	3	4	5
I enjoy doing multiple tasks at once.	1	2	3	4	5
I thrive in a challenge-based environment.	1	2	3	4	5
I think about tasks above others or myself.	1	2	3	4	5
I am motivated by accomplishment and authority.	1	2	3	4	5

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
2. Total _____	1	2	3	4	5
I enjoy influencing and inspiring people.	1	2	3	4	5
I am optimistic about others.	1	2	3	4	5
I tend to be the life of the party.	1	2	3	4	5
I think about motivating people.	1	2	3	4	5
I am motivated by recognition and approval.	1	2	3	4	5

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
3. Total _____	1	2	3	4	5
I thrive in consistent environments over changing ones.	1	2	3	4	5
I prefer specifics over generalizations.	1	2	3	4	5
I enjoy small groups of people.	1	2	3	4	5
I prefer being a member of a team over leading the team.	1	2	3	4	5
I am motivated by stability and support.	1	2	3	4	5

	Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
4. Total _____	1	2	3	4	5
I typically do not take big risks.	1	2	3	4	5
I love tasks, order and details.	1	2	3	4	5
I am right most of the time.	1	2	3	4	5
I comply with clearly defined rules.	1	2	3	4	5
I am motivated by quality and correctness.	1	2	3	4	5



Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex!
Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it.
Psalms 139:14

DISCOVERING YOUR PERSONALITY

D

"D"s are direct and decisive; they are risk takers and problem solvers. They are more concerned with completing tasks and winning than they are with gaining approval from people. Though the internal drive tends to make them insensitive to those around them, "D"s are not afraid to challenge the status quo, and they thrive when it comes to developing new things. They need discipline to excel, and they respond to direct confrontation. The greatest fear of a "D" is to be taken advantage of, and even despite their possible weaknesses—which include an aversion to routine, a tendency to overstep authority, an argumentative nature, and a habit of taking on too much—they place a high value on time and use their innovative thinking to accomplish difficult tasks and conquer challenges.

D / I

"D/I"s are curious conclusers who place emphasis on the bottom line and work hard to reach their goals. They are more determined than they are inspirational, yet their high expectations and standards for themselves and those around them typically causes them to make quite an impact, motivating others to follow them. They have an array of interests and can become distracted by taking on too many projects. They often need to focus, prioritize, and simply slow down. Because "D/I"s thrive on activity and forward motion, they like to accomplish tasks through a large number of people.

Biblical Examples: Joshua (Joshua 1), Noah (Genesis 6-9), Sarah (Genesis 16, 1 Peter 3:6)

I

"I"s are inspiring and impressive. Enthusiastic, optimistic, impulsive, and emotional—they tend to be creative problem solvers and excellent encouragers. They often have a large number of friends, but they can become more concerned with approval and popularity than with getting results. An "I"s greatest fear is rejection, but they thrive when it comes to motivating others. Their positive sense of humor helps them negotiate conflicts. Though they can be inattentive to details and poor listeners, they can be great peacemakers and effective teammates when they control their feelings and minimize their urge to entertain and be the center of attention. They value lots of human touch and connection.

I / D

"I/D"s are persuaders who are outgoing and energetic. They enjoy large groups and use their power of influence to attain respect and convince people to follow their lead. Sometimes they can be viewed as fidgety and nervous, but it comes from their need to be a part of challenges that have variety, freedom, and mobility. "I/D"s could benefit from learning to look before they leap and spending more time being studious and still. They make inspiring leaders and know how to get results from and through people.

Biblical Examples: John the Baptist (Luke 3), Peter (Matthew 16 and 26, Acts 3), Rebekah (Genesis 24)

S

"S"s are steady and more reserved. Because they are stable and predictable, they do not like change, and they thrive in secure, non-threatening environments. They are often friendly and understanding as well as good listeners and loyal workers who are happy doing the same job consistently. With an incredible ability to forgive, reliable and dependable "S"s tend to make the best friends. Their greatest fear, however, is loss of security, and their possible weaknesses naturally include not only resistance to change, but also difficulty adjusting to it. They can also be too sensitive to criticism and unable to establish priorities. In order to avoid be taken advantage of, "S"s need to be stronger and learn how to say "no." They also like to avoid the limelight, but when given an opportunity to genuinely help others, they will gladly rise to the occasion. They feel most valued when they have truly helped someone.

S / D

"S/D"s are quiet leaders who can be counted on to get the job done. They perform better in small groups and do not enjoy speaking in front of crowds. Though they can be soft- and hard-hearted at the same time, they enjoy close relationships with people, being careful not to dominate them. Challenges motivate them, especially ones that allow them to take a systematic approach. Because this personality style tends to be determined, persevering through time and struggles, they benefit from encouragement and positive relationships.

Biblical Examples: Martha (Luke 10:38-42), Job (Job 1:5, James 5:11)

C

"C"s are compliant and analytical. Careful and logical lines of thinking drive them forward, and accuracy is a top priority. They hold high standards and value systematic approaches to problem solving. Though they thrive when given opportunities to find solutions, they tend to ignore the feelings of others and can often be critical and downright crabby. Verbalizing feelings is difficult for them, but when they are not bogged down in details and have clear-cut boundaries, they can be big assets to the team by providing calculated "reality checks." The "C"s biggest fear is criticism, and their need for perfectionism is often a weakness, as is their tendency to give in when in the midst of an argument. However, they are thorough in all activities and can bring a conscientious, even-tempered element to the team that will provide solid grounding. They value being correct the most.

C / D

"C/D"s are cautious and determined designers who are consistently task-oriented and very aware of problems. Sometimes viewed as insensitive, they do care about individual people but have a difficult time showing it. They often feel they are the only ones who can do the job the way it needs to be done, but because of their administrative skills, they are able to bring plans for change and improvements to fruition. "C/D"s have a tendency to be serious and could benefit from being more optimistic and enthusiastic. Despite their natural drive to achieve, they should concentrate on developing healthy relationships and simply loving people.

Biblical Examples: Bezeleel (Exodus 35:30-36, 8, 37:1-9), Jochbed (Exodus 1:22-2:4), Jethro (Exodus 2,18)

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D / S

“D/S”s are attainers and achievers with an ability to persevere. They are more active than passive, but they possess a kind of calm sensitivity and steadiness that makes them good leaders. They seem to be people oriented but can easily be dominant and decisive when it comes to tasks and project planning. They strive to accomplish goals with fierce determination that comes from strong internal drive, but they could benefit from contemplative and conservative thinking as well as spending more time focusing on relationships.

Biblical Examples: Daniel (Daniel 1-6), Job (Job 1:5, James 5:11), Martha (Luke 10:38-42)

D / C

“D/C”s are challengers and can either be determined students or defiant critics. Being in charge is important to them, yet they care little about what others think as long as they get the job done. They have a great deal of foresight and examine every avenue to find the best solution; they prefer to work alone. Though they fear failure and the lack of influence, they are motivated by challenges and can often be excellent administrators. They can benefit from learning to relax and paying more attention to people.

Biblical Examples: Malachi (Malachi 4), Nathan (2 Samuel 12:1-13), Nahum (Nahum 1-3)

I / S

“I/S”s are influential counselors who love people, and it’s no surprise that people love them. They live to please and serve, and they tend to be good listeners. Looking good and encouraging others is important to them, as is following through and being obedient. They often lack in the area of organization and can be more concerned with the people involved than they are with the task at hand. However, they can be center stage or behind the scenes with equal effectiveness, and they shine when it comes to influencing and helping others.

Biblical Examples: Barnabas (Acts 4, 9, 11-15), Elisha (1 Kings 19, 2 Kings 2-3), Nicodemus (John 3, 7, 19)

I / C

“I/C”s are inspiring yet cautious assessors who are excellent communicators through the combination of concerned awareness and appreciation of people. They excel in determining ways to improve production. They tend to be impatient and critical, and they can also be overly persuasive and too consumed by the desire to win. “I/C”s like to work inside the box, and they could benefit from trying new things and caring less about what others think. This personality type often possesses a gift for teaching; they are generally dependable when it comes to paying attention to details and getting the job done. Biblical Examples: Miriam (Exodus 15-21), Ezra (Ezra 7-8), Shunammite Woman (2 Kings 4:8-37)

S / I

“S/I”s are inspirational counselors who exhibit warmth and sensitivity. Tolerant and forgiving, they have many friends because they accept and represent others well. Their social nature and desire to be likable and flexible makes them inclined to be overly tolerant and non-confrontational. “S/I”s will benefit from being more task-oriented and paying more attention to detail. Kind and considerate, they include others and inspire them to follow. Words of affirmation go a long way with this personality type, and with the right motivation, they can be excellent team players.

Biblical Examples: Mary Magdalene (Luke 7:36-47), Barnabas (Acts 4, 9, 11-15), Elisha (1 Kings 19, 2 Kings 2-13)

S / C

“S/C”s are diplomatic and steady, as well as detail-oriented. Stable and contemplative, they like to weigh the evidence and discover the facts to come to a logical conclusion. More deliberate, they prefer to take their time, especially when the decision involves others. Possible weaknesses include being highly sensitive and unable to handle criticism, and they also need to be aware of the way they treat others. Operating best in precise and cause-worthy projects, the “S/C” can be a peacemaker; this makes them a loyal team member and friend.

Biblical Examples: Moses (Exodus 3, 4, 20, 32), John (John 19:26-27), Eliezer (Genesis 24)

C / I

“C/I”s Pay attention to the details. They tend to impress others by doing things right and stabilizing situations. Not considered aggressive or pushy, they enjoy both large and small crowds. Though they work well with people, they are sometimes too sensitive to what others think about them and their work. They could benefit from being more assertive and self motivated. Often excellent judges of character, they easily trust those who meet their standards. They are moved by genuine and enthusiastic approval as well as concise and logical explanations.

Biblical Examples: Miriam (Exodus 15-21, Numbers 12:1-15), Ezra (Ezra 7, 8)

C / S

“C/S”s are systematic and stable. They tend to do one thing at a time—and do it right. Reserved and cautious, they would rather work behind the scenes to stay on track; however, they seldom take risks or try new things and naturally dislike sudden changes in their environments. Precisionists to the letter, they painstakingly require accuracy and fear criticism, which they equate to failure. Diligent workers, their motivation comes from serving others.

Biblical Examples: Esther (Esther 4), Zechariah (Luke 1), Joseph (Matthew 1:1-23)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL GROWTH

If you are a “D” – Dominant, Direct, Task oriented, Decisive, Organized, Outgoing, Outspoken

- A. Strive to listen to other people more attentively.
- B. Try to be less controlling and domineering.
- C. Develop a greater appreciation for the opinions, feelings and desires of others.
- D. Put more energy into personal relationships.
- E. Show your support for the other team members.

If you are an “I” – Influential, Interested in people, Witty, Easygoing, Outgoing, People oriented

- A. Weigh the pros and cons before making a decision; be less impulsive.
- B. Remember to help with tasks more.
- C. Exercise control over your actions, words and emotions.
- D. Focus more on details and facts.
- E. Remember to slow down your pace for other people.
- F. Talk less; listen more.

If you are an “S” – Steady, Stable, Analytical, People oriented, Introverted

- A. Consider how change is healthy. Try to change more willingly.
- B. Be more direct in your interactions.
- C. Focus on overall goals of your family or group rather than specific procedures.
- D. Deal with confrontation constructively.
- E. Develop more flexibility.
- F. Try to show more initiative.

If you are a “C” – Compliant, Competent, Task oriented, Goal oriented, Introverted

- A. Concentrate on doing the right things – not just doing things right.
- B. Be less critical of others’ ideas and methods.
- C. Respond more quickly to accomplish others’ goals.
- D. Strive to build relationships with other people and family members.
- E. Be more decisive.
- F. Focus less on facts and more on people.

DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

"Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be ignorant." 1 Corinthians 12:1 (HNV)

Two Truths About Spiritual Gifts:

They are not...

1. _____ or _____.

Spiritual gifts often lead to titles or positions but a person may have the gift without the role or the role without the gift. Regardless, we should serve whenever we are given the opportunity. Working in the area of your gifting will allow you to "be" the person that God has called you to be rather than just "doing" good things.

2. To Serve _____.

Spiritual gifts are endowments given by God to His people for accomplishing His purpose on the earth. Spiritual gifts are given for the glory of God.

"Follow the way of love and eagerly desire spiritual gifts... try to excel in gifts that build up the church." 1 Corinthians 14:1; 14:12 (NIV)

HOW TO TAKE THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT

Step 1: Respond to the spiritual gifts statements by writing the number that indicates how each statement describes you in the blanks.

1 = Almost never

2 = Sometimes

3 = Almost always

Allow yourself six minutes to answer all questions before moving on to other steps.

Step 2: Add each line left to right and place the totaled number in the total column.

Step 3: Identify your three highest totaled numbers with the corresponding letter and the spiritual gift it represents (listed on the pages following the assessment).

Step 4: Read about your gifts.

Connect with a team that complements your personality, highest rated spiritual gifts, and availability to serve.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS QUESTIONS

1. I like organizing services and events.
2. I enjoy starting new churches.
3. Working with my hands is fun for me.
4. I can tell when someone is insincere.
5. I pray for the lost daily.
6. Encouraging others is a high priority in my life.
7. Believing God for our daily needs is important to me.
8. Influencing others for the kingdom of God through finances is extremely important to me.
9. I look for opportunities to pray for the sick.
10. I enjoy doing the little things that others do not.
11. Having people over to my house is something I do often.
12. Spending hours in prayer for other people is very enjoyable to me.
13. Education is very important to me.
14. I tend to motivate others to get involved.
15. My heart hurts when I see others hurting.
16. I believe God will use me to enact His miracles.
17. I enjoy sharing the gospel with other people groups and nationalities.
18. I've devoted considerable time to mastering my voice and or instrument.
19. Caring for the hurting is paramount in my eyes.
20. The willful sin of others really aggravates me.
21. I enjoy serving behind the scenes.
22. I like creating outlines of the Bible.
23. God has used me to interpret a heavenly language.
24. I enjoy the book of Proverbs more than any other book in the Bible.
25. I am passionate about managing details.
26. I prefer to pioneer new ministry projects.
27. I consider myself a craftsman or craftswoman.
28. I sense when situations are spiritually unhealthy.
29. I am greatly concerned about seeing the lost saved.
30. I try to come across loving and caring.
31. Asking God for a list of big things is exciting to me.
32. I find ways to give offerings above my tithe.
33. I believe miraculous healing is for this day and age.
34. Helping others is one of my highest achievements.
35. Creating a warm and welcoming home is important to me.
36. I am burdened to pray for situations in the world.
37. People seek me out to learn more about the Kingdom of God.
38. I prefer to take the lead whenever necessary.
39. I'm very sensitive to sad stories.
40. Miracles often happen when I'm nearby.
41. Living in another country to benefit the gospel is exciting to me.
42. I desire to serve the church through worship.
43. I enjoy connecting, caring for, and coaching others.
44. Confronting someone with sin in their life is not hard.
45. It bothers me when people sit around and do nothing.
46. I share Biblical truth with others in hopes of their personal growth.
47. I pray in tongues daily.
48. When I study scripture God gives me unique insights.
49. Creating a task list is easy and enjoyable for me.
50. I am attracted to ministries that start new churches.
51. Building something with my hands is very rewarding to me.
52. I can pinpoint issues or problems before others.
53. I enjoy sharing the gospel with a total stranger.
54. I look for ways to be an encouragement to other people.
55. I trust that God has my back in every situation.
56. Making more money means that I can give more.
57. God has used me to bring healing to those who are sick.
58. Being a part of the process is fulfilling to me.
59. I tend to make total strangers feel at home.
60. People often describe me as a prayer warrior.
61. I enjoy knowing biblical details and helping others to understand.
62. I delegate responsibilities to accomplish tasks.
63. I am motivated to help those who are less fortunate.
64. I have a constant hunger to see God's miraculous power.
65. I focus a lot on reaching the world for Christ.
66. I gain my deepest satisfaction through leading others in vocal or instrumental worship.
67. I enjoy walking with someone in times of difficulty.
68. I enjoy hearing passionate and clear preaching of the truth.
69. I like to do small things that others pass over.
70. I prefer to teach the Bible topically rather than verse by verse.
71. Praying in the Spirit is encouraging and important to me.
72. When faced with difficulty I tend to make wise decisions and choices

SPIRITUAL GIFTS RATINGS

1 Almost Never

2 Seldom

3 Sometimes

4 Frequently

5 Almost Always

			Total	Gifts
1. ___	25. ___	49. ___	___	A. _____
2. ___	26. ___	50. ___	___	B. _____
3. ___	27. ___	51. ___	___	C. _____
4. ___	28. ___	52. ___	___	D. _____
5. ___	29. ___	53. ___	___	E. _____
6. ___	30. ___	54. ___	___	F. _____
7. ___	31. ___	55. ___	___	G. _____
8. ___	32. ___	56. ___	___	H. _____
9. ___	33. ___	57. ___	___	I. _____
10. ___	34. ___	58. ___	___	J. _____
11. ___	35. ___	59. ___	___	K. _____
12. ___	36. ___	60. ___	___	L. _____
13. ___	37. ___	61. ___	___	M. _____
14. ___	38. ___	62. ___	___	N. _____
15. ___	39. ___	63. ___	___	O. _____
16. ___	40. ___	64. ___	___	P. _____
17. ___	41. ___	65. ___	___	Q. _____
18. ___	42. ___	66. ___	___	R. _____
19. ___	43. ___	67. ___	___	S. _____
20. ___	44. ___	68. ___	___	T. _____
21. ___	45. ___	69. ___	___	U. _____
22. ___	46. ___	70. ___	___	V. _____
23. ___	47. ___	71. ___	___	W. _____
24. ___	48. ___	72. ___	___	X. _____

GIFT DEFINITIONS AND SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

The following contains definitions of the Spiritual gifts. While not meant to be dogmatic or final, these definitions and supporting scriptures do correspond to characteristics of the gifts as expressed in the Gifts Questionnaire.

A. Administration

The gift of administration is the divine strength or ability to organize multiple tasks and groups of people to accomplish these tasks. Luke 14:28-30; Acts 6:1-7; 1 Corinth 12:28.

B. Apostleship

The gift of apostleship is the divine strength or ability to pioneer new churches and ministries through planting, overseeing, and training. Acts 15:22-35; 1 Corinthians 12:28; 2 Corinthians 12:12; Galatians 2:7-10; Ephesians 4:11-14.

C. Craftsmanship

The gift of craftsmanship is the divine strength or ability to plan, build, and work with your hands in construction environments to accomplish multiple ministry applications. Exodus 30:22, 31:3-11; 2 Chronicles 34:9-13; Acts 18:2-3.

D. Discernment

The gift of discernment is the divine strength or ability to spiritually identify falsehood and to distinguish between right and wrong motives and situations. Matthew 16:21-23; Acts 5:1-11, 16:16-18; 1 Corinthians 12:10; 1 John 4:1-6.

E. Evangelism

The gift of evangelism is the divine strength or ability to help non-Christians take the necessary steps to becoming a born-again Christian. Acts 8:5-6, 8:26-40, 14:21, 21:8; Ephesians 4:11-14.

F. Exhortation

The gift of exhortation is the divine strength or ability to encourage others through the written or spoken word and Biblical truth. Acts 14:22; Romans 12:8; 1 Timothy 4:13; Hebrews 10:24-25.

G. Faith

The gift of faith is the divine strength or ability to believe in God for unseen supernatural results in every arena of life. Acts 11:22-24; Romans 4:18-21; 1 Corinthians 12:9; Hebrews 11.

H. Giving

The gift of giving is the divine strength or ability to produce wealth and to give by tithes and offerings for the purpose of advancing the Kingdom of God on earth. Mark 12:41-44; Romans 12:8; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7, 9:2-7.

I. Healing

The gift of healing is the divine strength or ability to act as an intermediary in faith, prayer, and by the laying-on of hands for the healing of physical and mental illnesses. Acts 3:1-10, 9:32-35, 28:7-10; 1 Corinthians 12:9, 28

J. Helps

The gift of helps is the divine strength or ability to work in a supportive role for the accomplishment of tasks in Christian ministry. Mark 15:40-41; Acts 9:36; Romans 16:1-2; 1 Corinthians 12:28

K. Hospitality

The gift of hospitality is the divine strength or ability to create warm, welcoming environments for others in places such as your home, office, or church. Acts 16:14-15; Romans 12:13, 16:23; Hebrews 13:1-2; 1 Peter 4:9

L. Intercession

The gift of intercession is the divine strength or ability to stand in the gap in prayer for someone, something, or someplace, believing for profound results. Hebrews 7:25; Colossians 1:9-12, 4:12-13; James 5:14-16

M. Knowledge

The gift of knowledge is the divine strength or ability to understand and to bring clarity to situations and circumstances often accompanied by a word from God. Acts 5:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:8; Colossians 2:2-3

N. Leadership

The gift of leadership is the divine strength or ability to influence people at their level while directing and focusing them on the big picture, vision, or idea. Romans 12:8; 1 Timothy 3:1-13, 5:17; Hebrews 13:17

O. Mercy

The gift of mercy is the divine strength or ability to feel empathy and to care for those who are hurting in any way. Matthew 9:35-36; Mark 9:41; Romans 12:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:14

P. Miracles

The gift of miracles is the divine strength or ability to alter the natural outcomes of life in a supernatural way through prayer, faith, and divine direction. Acts 9:36-42, 19:11-12, 20:7-12; Romans 15:18-19; 1 Corinthians 12:10, 28

Q. Missionary

The gift of missions is the divine strength or ability to reach others outside of your culture and nationality, while in most cases living in that culture or nation. Acts 8:4, 13:2-3, 22:21; Romans 10:15

R. Music / Worship

The gift of music/worship is the divine strength or ability to sing, dance, or play an instrument primarily for the purpose of helping others worship God. Deuteronomy 31:22; 1 Samuel 16:16; 1 Chronicles 16:41-42; 2 Chronicles 5:12-13, 34:12; Psalm 150

S. Pastor / Shepherd

The gift of pastor/shepherd is the divine strength or ability to care for the personal needs of others by nurturing and mending life issues. John 10:1-18; Ephesians 4:11-14; 1 Timothy 3:1-7; 1 Peter 5:1-3

T. Prophecy

The gift of prophecy is the divine strength or ability to boldly speak and bring clarity to scriptural and doctrinal truth, in some cases foretelling God's plan. Acts 2:37-40, 7:51-53, 26:24-29; 1 Corinthians 14:1-4; 1 Thessalonians 1:5

U. Service

The gift of serving is the divine strength or ability to do small or great tasks in working for the overall good of the body of Christ. Acts 6:1-7; Romans 12:7; Galatians 6:10; 1 Timothy 1:16-18; Titus 3:14

V. Teaching

The gift of teaching is the divine strength or ability to study and learn from the Scriptures primarily to bring understanding and depth to other Christians. Acts 18:24-28, 20:20-21; 1 Corinthians 12:28; Ephesians 4:11-14

W. Tongues (And Interpretation)

The gift of tongues is the divine strength or ability to pray in a heavenly language to encourage your spirit and to commune with God. The gift of tongues is often accompanied by interpretation and should be used appropriately. Acts 2:1-13; 1 Corinthians 12:10, 14:1-14

X. Wisdom

The gift of wisdom is the divine strength or ability to apply the truths of Scripture in a practical way, producing the fruitful outcome and character of Jesus Christ. Acts 6:3,10; 1 Corinthians 2:6-13, 12:8

HEART ASSESSMENT

Discern Your Heart By Asking Yourself Seven Questions:

1. Who am I most interested in? (This is the people question)

2. What do I like to do the most? (The action question)

3. In what area am I naturally strongest? What do I do better than a thousand people? (Strengths question)

4. How can I help someone solely for their benefit? (The Serving Question)

5. What God-honoring things interest me the most? (The interest question)

6. What opportunities do I have before me? (The opportunity question)

7. When in my life do I feel the most fulfilled?

PUTTING IT ALL TOGETHER

What is my personality type and leadership style?

_____ (D, I, S, C) _____ (People or Task Oriented)

What are two primary spiritual gifts or natural abilities I have?

1. _____

2. _____

What two areas am I experienced in and/or most passionate about?

1. _____

2. _____

Based upon the answers above, what is one step I can take to start finding fulfillment in these three areas?

A. My Family _____

B. My Faith/Church _____

C. My Field of Opportunity/Job _____

THE NEXT STEP:

1. Identify _____.

Look for needs and opportunities where you can be useful, based on your gifts.

2. Test _____.

Try out different ministry opportunities to see what fits best. Your spiritual gift should produce fruit. Gifted people get results. If you have the gift of healing, sick people will get well. Look for where you are producing the most result.

3. Get _____.

If you think you have a spiritual gift and you try to exercise it, but no one else thinks you have the gift, you probably do not. Gifts are often confirmed by others. Feelings are important, but they are far from infallible.

4. Consider starting _____.

If you see a need, but there is no existing ministry to meet that need, consider starting one. It can be a ministry team or a small group. Don't limit your options to something that is already in existence. You can always start something new.



The Connect Church

Dream Team

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Sex: Male ____ Female ____ Date of Birth: MM ____ DD ____ YYYY ____

Marital Status: Single ____ Engaged ____ Married ____ Widowed ____ Divorced ____

1. I have completed Connect 1.0 Yes ____ No ____
2. I have completed Connect 2.0 Yes ____ No ____
3. Would you like to discuss my best fit with a team leader No ____ Yes ____
4. Personality Type (D, I, S, C): _____
5. People or Task Oriented: _____
6. Your Two Primary Spiritual Gifts:
 - I. _____
 - II. _____
7. Two Ministry Areas of Interest: *(See the list of ministries)*
 - I. _____
 - II. _____

(Turn in this form at the end of the class)



The Connect Church

DISC Profile and Ministry Match

Profile: D / I

"D/I"s are curious conclusers who place emphasis on the bottom line and work hard to reach their goals. They are more determined than they are inspirational, yet their high expectations and standards for themselves and those around them typically causes them to make quite an impact, motivating others to follow them. They have an array of interests and can become distracted by taking on too many projects. They often need to focus, prioritize, and simply slow down. Because "D/I"s thrive on activity and forward motion, they like to accomplish tasks through a large number of people. Biblical Examples: Joshua (Joshua 1), Noah (Genesis 6-9), Sarah (Genesis 16, 1 Peter 3:6)

Possible ministry matches:

- Missions Team
- Audio Team
- Baptism Team
- IT Team
- Setup/Takedown Team
- Technical Team
- Visual Aid Team

Profile: I / D

"I/D"s are persuaders who are outgoing and energetic. They enjoy large groups and use their power of influence to attain respect and convince people to follow their lead. Sometimes they can be viewed as fidgety and nervous, but it comes from their need to be a part of challenges that have variety, freedom, and mobility. "I/D"s could benefit from learning to look before they leap and spending more time being studious and still. They make inspiring leaders and know how to get results from and through people.

Biblical Examples: John the Baptist (Luke 3), Peter (Matthew 16 and 26, Acts 3), Rebekah (Genesis 24).

Possible ministry matches:

- Outreach and Community Engagement.
- Greeting Team.
- Guest Services.
- Small Group Facilitators.
- Worship Team.
- Hospitality Team.
- Host Team.
- Student Ministry.

Profile: S / D

"S/D"s are quiet leaders who can be counted on to get the job done. They perform better in small groups and do not enjoy speaking in front of crowds. Though they can be soft- and hard-hearted at the same time, they enjoy close relationships with people, being careful not to dominate them. Challenges motivate them, especially ones that allow them to take a systematic approach. Because this personality style tends to be determined, persevering through time and struggles, they benefit from encouragement and positive relationships. Biblical Examples: Martha (Luke 10:38-42), Job (Job 1:5, James 5:11)

Possible ministry matches:

- Admin Team.
- Audio Team.
- Baptism Team.
- Small Group Facilitators.
- KidsConnect
- StudentsConnect
- Parking Team.
- Visual Aid Team.
- Video Production.
- Watch Team.

Profile: C / D

“C/D”s are cautious and determined designers who are consistently task-oriented and very aware of problems. Sometimes viewed as insensitive, they do care about individual people but have a difficult time showing it. They often feel they are the only ones who can do the job the way it needs to be done, but because of their administrative skills, they are able to bring plans for change and improvements to fruition. “C/D”s have a tendency to be serious and could benefit from being more optimistic and enthusiastic. Despite their natural drive to achieve, they should concentrate on developing healthy relationships and simply loving people. Biblical Examples: Bezealeel (Exodus 35:30-36, 8, 37:1-9), Jochebed (Exodus 1:22-2:4), Jethro (Exodus 2,18)

Possible ministry matches:

- Graphic Design Team
- Setup/Takedown Team.
- Performing Arts Team.
- Visual Aid Team.
- Video Production.
- Photography.
- Parking Team
- Worship Team.

Profile: D / S

“D/S”s are attainers and achievers with an ability to persevere. They are more active than passive, but they possess a kind of calm sensitivity and steadiness that makes them good leaders. They seem to be people oriented but can easily be dominant and decisive when it comes to tasks and project planning. They strive to accomplish goals with fierce determination that comes from strong internal drive, but they could benefit from contemplative and conservative thinking as well as spending more time focusing on relationships. Biblical Examples: Daniel (Daniel 1-6), Job (Job 1:5, James 5:11), Martha (Luke 10:38-42).

Possible ministry matches:

- Admin Team.
- Baptism Team.
- Setup/Takedown Team.
- Technical Team.
- Visual Aid Team.
- Social Media & Virtual Team.
- Housekeeping Team.

- Outreach and Community Engagement.

Profile: I / S

“I/S”s are influential counselors who love people, and it’s no surprise that people love them. They live to please and serve, and they tend to be good listeners. Looking good and encouraging others is important to them, as is following through and being obedient. They often lack in the area of organization and can be more concerned with the people involved than they are with the task at hand. However, they can be center stage or behind the scenes with equal effectiveness, and they shine when it comes to influencing and helping others. Biblical Examples: Barnabas (Acts 4, 9, 11-15), Elisha (1 Kings 19, 2 Kings 2-3), Nicodemus (John 3, 7, 19).

Possible ministry matches:

- Baptism Team:
- Small Group Facilitators.
- Medical Response Team.
- Student Ministry.
- Kids Ministry Team.
- First Responders.
- Connect Steps Team.

Profile: S / I

“S/I”s are inspirational counselors who exhibit warmth and sensitivity. Tolerant and forgiving, they have many friends because they accept and represent others well. Their social nature and desire to be likable and flexible makes them inclined to be overly tolerant and non-confrontational. “S/I”s will benefit from being more task-oriented and paying more attention to detail. Kind and considerate, they include others and inspire them to follow. Words of affirmation go a long way with this personality type, and with the right motivation, they can be excellent team players. Biblical Examples: Mary Magdalene (Luke 7:36-47), Barnabas (Acts 4, 9, 11-15), Elisha (1 Kings 19, 2 Kings 2-13).

Possible ministry matches:

- KidsConnect.
- StudentsConnect
- First Responders.
- Connect Steps Team.
- Worship Team
- Performing Arts Team.
- Prayer Team.
- Missions Team.

Profile: C / I

“C/I”s Pay attention to the details. They tend to impress others by doing things right and stabilizing situations. Not considered aggressive or pushy, they enjoy both large and small crowds. Though they work well with people, they are sometimes too sensitive to what others think about them and their work. They could benefit from being more assertive and self motivated. Often excellent judges of character, they easily trust those who meet their standards. They are moved by genuine and enthusiastic approval as well as concise and logical explanations. Biblical Examples: Miriam (Exodus 15-21, Numbers 12:1-15), Ezra (Ezra 7, 8).

Possible ministry matches:

- Admin Team.
- Technical Team.
- Hospitality Team.
- Housekeeping Team.
- First Responders.
- Medical response Team.

Profile: D / C

“D/C”s are challengers and can either be determined students or defiant critics. Being in charge is important to them, yet they care little about what others think as long as they get the job done. They have a great deal of foresight and examine every avenue to find the best solution; they prefer to work alone. Though they fear failure and the lack of influence, they are motivated by challenges and can often be excellent administrators. They can benefit from learning to relax and paying more attention to people. Biblical Examples: Malachi (Malachi 4), Nathan (2 Samuel 12:1-13), Nahum (Nahum 1-3).

Possible ministry matches:

- Parking Team.
- Watch Team.
- Photography.
- Baptism Team.

Profile: I / C

“I/C”s are inspiring yet cautious assessors who are excellent communicators through the combination of concerned awareness and appreciation of people. They excel in determining ways to improve production. They tend to be impatient and critical, and they can also be overly persuasive and too consumed by the desire to win. “I/C”s like to work inside the box, and they could benefit from trying new things and caring less about what others think. This personality type often possesses a gift for teaching; they are generally dependable when it comes to paying attention to details and getting the job done. Biblical Examples: Miriam (Exodus 15-21), Ezra (Ezra 7-8), Shunammite Woman (2 Kings 4:8-37)

Possible ministry matches:

- Outreach and Community Engagement.
- Social Media & Virtual Team.
- Video Production.
- Performing Arts Team.
- Worship Team.
- Student Ministry.

Profile: S / C

“S/C”s are diplomatic and steady, as well as detail-oriented. Stable and contemplative, they like to weigh the evidence and discover the facts to come to a logical conclusion. More deliberate, they prefer to take their time, especially when the decision involves others. Possible weaknesses include being highly sensitive and unable to handle criticism, and they also need to be aware of the way they treat others. Operating best in precise and cause-worthy projects, the “S/C” can be a peacemaker; this makes them a loyal team member and friend. Biblical Examples: Moses (Exodus 3, 4, 20, 32), John (John 19:26-27), Eliezer (Genesis 24).

Possible ministry matches:

- Guest Services.
- Small Group Facilitators.
- Medical Response Team.
- Worship Team.
- Prayer Team.

Profile: C / S

“C/S”s are systematic and stable. They tend to do one thing at a time—and do it right. Reserved and cautious, they would rather work behind the scenes to stay on track; however, they seldom take risks or try new things and naturally dislike sudden changes in their environments. Precisionists to the letter, they painstakingly require accuracy and fear criticism, which they equate to failure. Diligent workers, their motivation comes from serving others. Biblical Examples: Esther (Esther 4), Zechariah (Luke 1), Joseph (Matthew 1:1-23).

Possible ministry matches:

- Setup/Takedown Team.
- Technical Team.
- Parking Team.
- Housekeeping Team.
- Hospitality Team.
- Connect Steps Team.