

***“God has given each normal person a capacity to achieve some end.
True, some are endowed with more talent than others,
but God has left none of us talentless.***

“Martin Luther King Jr.”

Spirituality is individually unique to each of us. From our spiritual relation to God, we develop talents not normally expected. You and I celebrate our soul's distinctive expression and don't need to conform to anyone else's idea of what our talents should be. There is no requirement to hold on to spiritual ideas that most of us have outgrown. Our uniqueness fully expresses and makes a joyous contribution to the gifts we possess and share.

There is an urge to look outside ourselves for validation and recognize that we are more than authenticated by the spiritual presence moving in and through all God's people. There is festive freedom in this realization that we contribute to life with creative energy and zeal unique to humankind. I find it fascinating we often feel good-humored as we awaken to our expressive spirit. It is the one that identifies...I am one of a kind!

Every person in God's creation is born with individual strengths and talents. Every being brings something unique into this world and each one of us naturally adds something different to this world. Believe with me it is all those unique differences we each are bringing together that collectively makes this world amazing.

That is why it is such a shame when someone turns away from their natural gifts and abilities and tries to be something they aren't. Rather than being happy about their abilities and seeing the incredible contribution their own talents can make, they try to become someone they aren't. In the process, they leave a breach where their own talents were meant to fill the gaps. Not only that, but they end up falling short in their endeavor because it just wasn't their natural gift. As a result, other people are often affected negatively.

Every person we are and know should have an innate concern for self and be responsible for discovering their charge in life. God endows all normal persons with a capacity to achieve some positive end. It can be argued that some are bestowed with more ability than others, but God has ensured that none of us are without talent. Potential powers of creativity are within us, and we have a duty to work arduously to discover personal strengths.

Let's pledge together to avoid getting caught in the trap of comparing ourselves with others and then striving to be something we are not. Embrace your God given talents and gifts to focus on improving each and be the best you can be. In doing so, you will demonstrate the unique talents you possess. You will express the best of who you are meant to be. May God bless your journey while you daily remember the Psalmist's words of praise to our Creator...

*I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works;
that I know very well. Psalm 139:14*

Peace always
Ted