

# WINNER'S GUIDE

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**Week 3: February 24—March 2**

## HOW TO USE YOUR SKILLS

### **SHARE (Optional):**

Each week we invite one or two people to briefly share their life stories, explaining what has brought them to where they are today. Who would like to share today?

### **CONNECT:**

- What is one skill you wish you had? How would you use it?
- Besides Jesus, who do you think of when trying to identify a highly skilled human being?
- What do you think is the difference between a talent and a skill?

### **GROW:**

**Watch Video Clip #1** (approx. 7 min. with intro)

Is there anything from this clip that convicts you or inspires you? Explain.

If you died tomorrow, what do you think people would say at your funeral?

How do you want to be remembered, assuming you die years from now?

Winners Use Their Skills. They understand our life's legacy is not about how we start but how we finish. They also understand our life's legacy is not about what we have but what we do with what we have.

What resources do you currently have that could be used to bless other people?

Do you know anyone who has what we might consider a little, yet gives a lot? Share.

Do you know anyone who has what we might consider a lot and gives a little? Share.

What do you consider to be some of your top skills? How do you know these are top skills?

Off the top of your head, what kind of skills do you think Jesus demonstrated while on earth?

Read Mark 6:1-3.

**Watch Video Clip #2** (approx. 5 min)

Is there anything from this clip that convicts you or inspires you? Explain.

Jesus was remembered way more for what He did in the last three years of His life. Not much is documented about Him prior to age thirty. We can observe that Jesus was remembered for His calling not His career. We can also assume God will use our career to prepare us for our calling.

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Do you agree with this assumption? Why?

When was a time in your life where you felt like you were in limbo between God's preparation and His launching you toward your calling? Do you currently wish you had more opportunity? Explain.

Has someone limited you by the way they labeled you and your capacity or capability? Explain.

How do you think God prepared and enhanced the skills of Jesus during His earlier undocumented years? How were Jesus' carpentry skills have been used as ministry skills later in life?

How might God be preparing or enhancing skills within you now to be used for a greater purpose later?

When your skill combines with God's Spirit there is no limit. How would you explain this to someone who has never read the Bible?

Read Romans 5:1-8 and Romans 6:3-10, 23.

Observe and share what Jesus was able to accomplish by allowing the Spirit of God to combine with His human skills.

**Watch Video Clip #3** (approx. 3 min)

## **MOVE:**

Discuss and decide one way you will use a skill you have to build God's Kingdom this week. Share how you will know you are building God's Kingdom with your skill and not your own.

## **THINK:**

How might your skills team up well and complement the skills of others within the Church?

## **PRAY:**

Write down prayer requests and answered prayer:

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