

DAILY READING: MY GOD-GIVEN PERSONALITY

God has given me a unique personality to honor Him. He has created my personality, emotions, and desires. He has a purpose and a plan for my life. He is working to develop the full potential of my personality. God gives me gifts and I discipline myself to maximize them. Willpower will only get me so far. The Spirit walks with me, speaks to me, and empowers me to cultivate my personality.

God has given me a unique personality to honor Him. God was present at my conception and birth; He created me in His image with a distinct temperament. He formed me as He wanted me to be. I don't need to model myself after anyone else. I am unique. I am fearfully and wonderfully made. I am created to do the good things He planned for me to do in Jesus; I am His masterpiece. I recognize that my unique God-given personality influences every area of my life, therefore I will seek to understand how He created and designed me.

To sin means 'to miss the mark.' Because of sin, my strengths can become weaknesses. As I follow Jesus and allow Him to transform me into a new creation, He reshapes my personality to His original design and purpose. While complete perfection is not attainable in this life, He is working in me to bring me closer to being like Jesus every day. God has given me a unique personality to honor Him.

I will not compare myself to others or commit self-sabotage. Instead of being critical of others and the personalities God made, I will look for the uniqueness in them. I will appreciate and value them. God loves the diversity He has created. Today I choose to submit my personality to Jesus and His plan for me. God has given me a unique personality to honor Him.

MEMORY VERSE:

Psalm 139:13-14

"You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it."

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DAILY STUDY: MY GOD-GIVEN PERSONALITY

DAY 1: God Created My Personality - Romans 12:4-6a (Page 866); Jeremiah 1:5 (Page 570); Genesis 25:27 (Page 20); Psalm 139:13-16 (Page 476)

DAY 2: Why I'm Misunderstood - 1 Corinthians 2:11 (Page 871); 1 Corinthians 12:6 (Page 877); Proverbs 10:19 (Page 487); Proverbs 20:27 (Page 495)

DAY 3: Getting Along with Others - Romans 14:13 (Page 867); Romans 15:7 (Page 868); Ephesians 4:2 (Page 896); Proverbs 19:11 (Page 494)

DAY 4: Celebrating Different Personalities - 1 Corinthians 12:27 (Page 877); Romans 12:10 (Page 866); Psalm 139:13-16 (Page 476); Proverbs 27:17 (Page 501)

DAY 5: My Personality is God's Plan - Jeremiah 29:11 (Page 596); Ephesians 2:10 (Page 896); 2 Corinthians 5:5, 17 (Page 884)

DAY 6: Renewing My Personality - Matthew 5:14-16 (Page 736); Ephesians 4:23-24 (Page 897); Colossians 3:10 (Page 903); Psalm 51:10 (Page 436)

DAY 7: Honoring God - Psalm 29:2 (Page 425); 2 Corinthians 10:13 (Page 887); Romans 14:8 (Page 867). Read the Daily Reading once again and highlight things that stand out. Answer the three Life Transformation questions for growth in this area. Take time to learn the memory verse.

ACTIVITY:

Consider the unique characteristics of your personality. How can your faith be best lived out with the unique design God gave you? Take a personality test to find out more about who God created you to be.

LIFE TRANSFORMATION QUESTIONS:

1. As you read the Daily Reading, what stood out and why?
2. What action will you take to apply this truth? Be specific.
3. What areas of your life will benefit from this action? How and why?