

S.H.A.P.E. Group Discussion Guide

Session 5: Experience



Through God's grace, all people are uniquely created, formed, and called to discipleship! Through our baptism, we are called to love and to serve God and other people. Putting our faith into action is at the very heart of our calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. **S.H.A.P.E.** is an acronym for five characteristics that help to determine God's unique call in you! **S**piritual Gifts, **H**eart, **A**bilities, **P**ersonality, **E**xperience.



*To the group leader: The **S.H.A.P.E.** Group Discussion should occur **AFTER** your group members have participated in the **S.H.A.P.E. Experience** worship service on October 2, 2022 at 10:00 am and **AFTER each** individual in your group has completed the **Experience Personal Resource**. If you are using this material for Sunday School, please plan to discuss this material on October 8, 2022. Remember to give space for everyone to respond and encourage the opportunity for equal voice as you share together.*

Scripture of the week: Romans 8:26-30

Discussion Questions:

1. Ask each member of the group to share a few of their positive experiences and how they can provide a platform to serve others.
2. Ask the group to share any painful experiences and how they can become a catalyst for sharing God's love and compassion with others.
3. Discuss how your experiences can be a springboard for ministry. How might God use your experiences as a testimony to other people in our community and world?
4. Share a few ideas about how your experiences can benefit others in your small group.
5. What have you learned as a result of the SHAPE experience? Have you found answers to questions about God's call in your life? What do you plan to do as a result of these lessons?