

Everyone Is a Gift

Ephesians 2:1–10

INTRODUCTIONS: Caricatures

MAIN IDEA: *Our view of God shapes how we see ourselves and others.*

CONFIDENCE IN GOD'S CHARACTER...

1. Confidence in God's character changes our relationship with God. (v. 4–9)
2. Confidence in God's character changes our response to others. (v. 1–3)
3. Confidence in God's character changes our relationship with ourselves. (v. 10)

THREE RESPONSES TO GOD'S CHARACTER:

1. We recognize ourselves as gifts from God. (v. 5b–6)
2. We realize others are gifts from God. (v. 1-3)
3. We respond to God's goodness and share our gifts. (v.7–10)

ACTION STEPS:

Adjust your view of God's character

What adjustments do you need to make to the way you see and respond to the character of God?

Identify lies about your identity and others

As people who are made in the Image of God, when we have a warped image of the character of God, it begins to create in us a warped self-image. Can you name lies that you may believe about your identity based on a wrong view of God's character? What about lies that you believe about others?

Discovering and use your unique gifts

Knowing that God has a plan and a purpose for each of our gifts, take time to discover your unique gifts and how to steward them. (Take your S.H.A.P.E. Assessment – Coming soon!)