

Discovering Your Brilliance Activity

Materials needed: pencil paper
 open mind determination

Before you were born, God created A Brilliant Plan for your life. Your job is to figure out what that plan is and let it be the purpose of your life.

God gives you all the clues you need to discover that plan. Here is an activity that might help you:

#1: **What are your gifts?** Think about what "gifts" you were born with. Gifts are things that are easy for you to do or a subject that you naturally gravitate towards. Some gifts are:

- *Singing
- *Helping others
- *Solving problems
- *Science
- *Working with your hands
- *Physical abilities
- *Reading fast
- *Solving problems

What is a gift of yours? Since we were all created differently, your gifts won't be like your friend's gifts.

#2: **What is your big dream?** Think Big! Dream of what big thing you could do in your life if you had all the resources you needed. Resources like money, customers, transportation, schooling, everything you needed to make this dream come true. What would you do?

- *Write books? On what?
- *Learn to fly a plane? What kind?
- *Speak 10 languages and travel the world?
- *Be a sports commentator for ESPN?
- *Start a foundation to help people? Who?
- *Invent something that makes the world a better place? What is it?
- *Create a more fuel-efficient car?
- *Travel into space with NASA? How old would you be?
- *Discover a cure for an illness? Which one?

Think big and think of your own idea.

#3: **What idea do you strongly believe in?** We all have big ideas that we believe in. Brainstorm until you think of a good one. Here are some ideas that may stimulate your thinking:

- *Children should live in a good home.
- *Everyone should be able to go to college.
- *Animals should be cared for.
- *The world needs better English teachers.
- *People in Africa need to get an education.
- *Water from a faucet should taste better and be cleaner?

Think of what idea is really important to you and write it down.

#4: **Meet the world's needs.** Combine 1, 2, & 3. How do your gifts, your big dreams and what you strongly believe in come together to meet the world's needs?

- Example:*
1. *Gift:* Math, numbers, good with hands
 2. *Dream:* work for *Habitat for Humanity* teaching new residences how to budget their money.
 3. *Believe in:* Everyone is entitled to a house as long as they work hard to pay the bills for it.
 4. *Meet the world's needs:* Work for *Habitat for Humanity* and teach new homeowners how to budget their money so they can live the American Dream.

#5: **Begin now!** You have created a picture of your Brilliant life. What steps do you need to take now to achieve this brilliant life?

- *Do you need to volunteer somewhere?
- *Google or read a book on a subject?
- *Work harder in math? Take an honors course?
- *Get a particular part-time job?
- *Visit a new place?
- *Ask a teacher questions?
- *Interview someone?
- *Join a club?

Think about the steps you need to make to open doors for yourself. Begin now!

#6: **Make the world a better place!** That's your reason for being.

Be A Super Hero!

Be Brilliant!

