

Thought for today...

Does anyone recall the lyrics of the song 'Greatest Love Of All?' The song was originally recorded by George Benson; Whitney Houston also recorded a version of it. The opening lines are:

I believe the children are our future Teach them well and let them lead the way...

What if the Body of Christ were to fully grasp this concept, and then help our children - who are our future leaders - to identify the gifts that God has given them? Armed with this knowledge, our children will have a better understanding of how best they can serve God with their gifts and advance His kingdom.

Here are some Bible characters and their spiritual gifts

Character	Gift	Bible Verse
The Woman Who Lived at Shunem	Hospitality	2 Kings 4:8-11
Philip	Evangelist	Acts 8:26-35
Joseph	Leadership	Genesis 41:28-49
Dorcas	Serving	Acts 9:36
The Good Samaritan	Showing Mercy	Luke 10:30-37
Abigail	Wisdom	I Samuel 25:2-35
The Widow	Giving	Mark 12:41-44
John the Baptist	Prophecy	Luke 3:7-18

Let's look to identify and nurture our children's gifts. Perhaps those who like to share have the gift of Giving, those that like to help others - the gift of Serving. Those who take charge when there is a job to do - the gift of Leadership. Those who sympathise/empathise with people who are sad, sick, or in need - the gift of Mercy. Those who like to help others learn how to do things - the gift of Teaching.

Tell your children about it, let your children tell their children, and their children another generation. Joel 1:3

