



Grace Assembly Of God

CHAPTER-BY-CHAPTER BIBLE READING DEVOTIONAL

Scripture:	Genesis 1	Title:	“Spirit-Filled Service”
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Summary of Chapter	God told to Moses that He will send His Spirit to empower Bezalel and Oholiab to be able to carry out the creative craftwork of His temple. God also went on to talk about the Sabbath and its importance to Him and His people.		

Key Verse(s) NLT	How does it speak to me?
<i>³ I have filled him with the Spirit of God, giving him great wisdom, ability, and expertise in all kinds of crafts.</i>	<p>In the previous chapters, God had given instructions to Moses on how to build His temple. Here in Exodus 31, God conclude by appointing Bezalel, to lead the artistic craftwork. To accomplish that great task, God filled Bezalel with His Spirit. This enabled him to have great wisdom, ability, and creative talent in all kinds of crafts. God also went on to fill Oholiab and others with His Spirit so that they have the special skills necessary to support Bezalel with the different craftworks of the temple and the garments for the priests.</p> <p>When I read this passage, it reminded me of the children’s ministry. The leaders in the ministry come from different backgrounds and are of varying ages from teenagers to seniors. Their strengths and talents are also all so different. Yet, I see the wonderful hand of God in this ministry. God have brought so many different creative and gifted people to serve in the ministry. Some are good in art, while others are good in teaching. There are those with the gift of designing and planning new projects, while others are talented in the operational aspect of the ministry. They are like Bezalel, all filled with the Spirit of God to serve God with their gifts and skills.</p> <p>God has given all of us different talents and abilities. They are not meant to enrich ourselves but given to serve and glorify Him. And the best way we can do that is by serving others in ministry or wherever he has placed us.</p>

APPLICATION REFLECTIONS

Adult:	What are your talents? Are you using them to the best of your ability to serve others in the church, workplace and the community?
Youth:	Think of something that you are good in. In what ways can you use that strength to serve in church?
Child:	We are never too young to serve. Think of 2 things you can do this week to help your parents in.

PRAYER

Praying Scripture:	Dear Heavenly Father, thank you giving us abilities. Teach us to develop and use it to serve You. Teach us also not to keep it just for ourselves, but to grow it in service of Your Kingdom.
Thanksgiving Prayer:	I/We thank you for _____ (e.g. delicious food we ate, places we went, prayer that was answered, etc)
Intercessory Prayer:	I/We want to pray for _____ (e.g. healing of sickness, family members, work or study, leaders, nation, etc)
Salvation Prayer:	I/We pray for the salvation of my/our unsaved loved ones _____ (add one name per day). In Jesus’ Name I/we pray. Amen.