



NEXT LEVEL CHALLENGE | LEAD YOUR FRIENDS

BEFORE YOU MEET

- Schedule a time to discuss this month's challenge.
 - Meeting Time/Date: _____

WHEN YOU MEET

- **READ** about what Paul has to say to the church in Rome about how God designed each of us to help in the church.

ROMANS 12:4-8 *For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.*

- What are ways God may have gifted you? Consider your unique SHAPE:
 - a. Spiritual Gifts – specific abilities given by God when you give your life to him (Rom 12, 1 Cor. 12, Eph 4, etc.).
 - b. Heart – anything you're passionate about.
 - c. Abilities – anything else you're good at (sports, knitting, etc).
 - d. Personality – quiet, loud, people person...God can use it all.
 - e. Experience – past experiences God may use to help others.
- **WHY** – Jesus empowered his followers to lead after he went back to heaven. Specifically, he put Peter in charge of the early church. Peter wrote:

1 PETER 4:10-11 *Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.*

- **WHAT** – Knowing that Jesus wants you to use your gift, your unique SHAPE, what do you think is the right goal for you when it comes to leading others this month? What might make that difficult?
 - *For example, I will help lead the discussion at one of our Wednesday night small group times this month.*
- **HOW** – How can you plan now to make sure you're able to meet that goal? When, where, and how will you do it?
 - *For example, I will text my group leaders (or talk to them first thing this Wednesday) to see if I could schedule a time to lead some in group.*
- **WHEN** – When will we meet or talk again next to check in and see how your goal is going?
 - Meeting Time/Date: _____