

LESSON 1 - Do I have a "best" that God would want?

Dig out your Bible for this lesson. You will need to look up the Bible verses to find the information you need.

1.	John 3:16	God gave His best to us. What was that?
"My best" means " <u>something that I can give</u> that <u>no one else can give</u> ."		
2.	Philippians 4:13	How is it possible for me to "have a best"?
3.	Genesis 1:26	If God has a "best", then how do we know that we have a "BEST"?
4.	Ecclesiates 9:10	Are we supposed to do our best now or later?
5.	Ephesians 5:15-16	TrueFalse If we are living our lives, using our skills & abilities
		to honor & please God, then we are not wasting our time.
Isn't	it interesting that we a	all have the "things we do best" whether we use them for good or for bad?
a.	We could be gifted a	at handling money but be stealing from others.
Ь.	We could be good at	speaking & debating but degrade and humiliate people in the process.
c. We could be very creative with artistic talent but deface buildings or draw vulgar images.		
	•	leader that people follow yet lead them all in the wrong direction.
		f Christian teachings and yet curse God to His face.
f. We could be a great computer tech to create things yet spend too much time looking at porn.		
6.	1 Cor. 9:24-25	We all live our lives, using our talents (our best) along the way.
		But there is a special way to live this life (run this race) and win. What
		is this special way? T
7.	1 Cor.9:26-27	According to Paul, is itfate or adecision we make?
When	I made this decision,	I heard a preacher say that there is no way you can live your life, using your
skills for the right motives if all you have ever known & seen is sinful & bad motives in action. I asked Jesus		
to sav	e me from my inherite	d sin (where all the wrong motives come from). He forgave me and took over my
sinful	heart & life that night	t. He lives in me now. My motives for using my talents come from Him now.
8.	Colossians 3:17	Your deeds and actions should please who?
9.	Colossians 3:17	What should be your attitude along the way?
		TrueFalse Are there things in our lives that God can use?
		ate" means "to live according to the rules & to show people it can be done."
11	. Proverbs 16:3	TrueFalse Could this be an accurate paraphrase of this verse?

"Take all your talents and skills and hand them over to God; that will be the day that God begins using you in His plan to reach mankind."