

HOW TO BE USED BY GOD

John 1:19-51

For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly... Rom. 12:4-6

The Person God Uses:

1. Realizes _____ (v.20)

(v.21)

Behold, I am going to send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD. Mal. 4:5 (NASB)

"The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your countrymen, you shall listen to him. Deut. 18:15 (NASB)

2. Realizes _____ "I am a Voice" (vs.22-23)

*The LORD has made everything for its own purpose,
Prov. 16:4*

"Truly I say to you, among those born of women there has not arisen anyone greater than John the Baptist! Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. Matt. 11:11

3. Is _____ (v.33)

1. Receive the Holy Spirit (Salvation)

When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. John 20:22

2. Be Baptized with the Holy Spirit (Empowering)

Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," He said, "you heard of from Me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." Acts 1:4-5

Power for Service

but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." Acts 1:8 (NASB)

4. Points _____ (vs.35-37)

(and is not bothered when people actually follow Him)

John's disciples... came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified, behold, He is baptizing and all are coming to Him." John answered and said ... You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, 'I am not the Christ,' ... So this joy of mine has been made full. "He must increase, but I must decrease. John 3:25-:30

(Paul) I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. Acts 20:29-30

The Listener becomes The Rock (vs.42)

Then she conceived again and bore a son and said, "Because the LORD has heard that I am unloved, He has therefore given me this son also." So she named him Simeon. Gen. 29:33

Simeon- hearing (Easton's)

Cephas - Kephas; of Ara. or; "a rock,"

Peter- Petros; a stone" or "a boulder,"

(v.43) Phi li ppos- horse-loving

5. _____ **(v.46)**

... "Come and see." John 1:46

6. _____ **and allows** _____ **(vs.47-49)**