YOU ARE GIFTED!





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Now every good and perfect gift Comes down from heaven above. "Who gives these gifts?" someone might ask. They're from our God with love.



Why did God give gifts to us? Our talents and our skills? So we can help our neighbors, Be a blessing, do God's will!



And did you know that you have gifts? God gave them just to you. We all of us have different ones; His Word says this is true!



We're all good at something. God created you this way, So you can share your gifts and skills With others on the way.



What's more, we don't have just one gift; God's given us so many. So never say to anyone, "Not me. I don't have any."



Hi, there! My name is Logan. I am gifted, there's no doubt. Just take a moment, try and guess What my favorite gift's about!



A gift God gave me that I love Is skill at playing ball. I started out in Little League When I was very small.



I worked my hardest every day, Grew strong and big and tall. And after practicing for years, I can hit it over the wall!



Your friends will have some other skills That differ from your own. As you point out their God-given gifts, You make His glory known.



So, when you're talking with your friends, Be sure to let them know That they've been blessed with gifts as well. Their talents really show.



My teammate's name is Alex. He's gifted, there's no doubt. His secret pitch is super-fast; The ump calls, "Strike! You're out!"



"Wow! Look at how you pitched that ball!" I shouted out his way. "Your gift has helped us win the game. We needed you today!"



Now Rayn's my little sister. She really likes to bake. There's brownies, pies, and other sweets, But her specialty is cake.



I always tell my sister that Her chocolate cake's the best. None ever goes uneaten, 'cause I always eat the rest.



My mom is good at listening, And also she can pray. My dad's voice is so beautiful, And he can sing all day.



My grandpa's gift is in his hands; He'll build 'most anything. And when it comes to treehouses, My grandpa is the king!



So think about your talents, The gifts God's given you. While others may have gifts like yours, They're not the same as you!



What are the things that you do well? I'll bet you have a few, Some maybe you forgot about, Or ones you never knew.



You might be good at baking bread, Or good at storytelling, Or maybe good at playing ball, Or even good at spelling!



To color well, to paint, to draw Are gifts from God's own heart. Use your imagination To create a work of art.



You might have skills for mealtime; The table you can set. The more you practice with your gift, The better you will get.



Or think—is there an instrument You might learn how to play? You'll practice, practice, practice, And sound better every day!



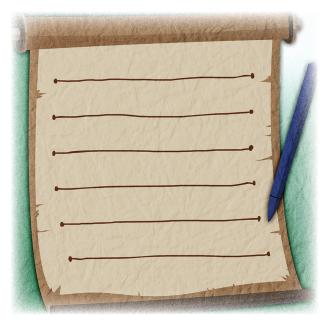
God's given you so many gifts To glorify His Name. So, share your gifts with others, Then share from Whom they came!



Share them with the ones you know; Don't hide your gifts away. Someone might ask you, "Tell me more Of this generous God today."



So, can you name some gifts from God That He has given you— Your awesome skills and talents, The things that you can do?



[Name some of your gifts:]



Of all the gifts I treasure, My favorite is to care For those who haven't heard God's Word, Who need someone to share!



God calls us each to tell our friends About our Savior's love. And when we use our gifts to help, They see God's care above.



The best gift God has given us Is Jesus, God's own Son. It's up to us to tell the world The great things He has done.



The time has come to go and spread His love! His heart! His Word! So, use the gifts He's given you To share what you have heard! Every child is uniquely gifted by God with special interests and abilities. As kids use their gifts, they honor God, bless others, and bring glory to Jesus-God's greatest gift to us all.

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