

Ask Chris



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Called & Gifted Spiritual Gifts Discernment Registration is open!

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A screenshot of a webpage titled "Called & Gifted Spiritual Gifts Discernment Registration is open!". The page includes a header with a photo of Chris Damico and his name. Below the header, there is a section titled "Important Dates:" with a table showing the registration period from August 14 to August 19. A large green box with white text is overlaid on the page, reading "Click here for Called And Gifted information and to register. Make sure to". The page also features a section titled "Why should I investigate the Called & Gifted experience?" and a "Who Can I Contact?" section.

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Register
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I'm currently a participant in the Called & Gifted program and wanted to share a personal experience that I believe would not have happened without my participation in the program. The goal of the program is to actively discern our spiritual gifts in the service of others, develop awareness for opportunities to use them and to act.

After a long recent work trip to Europe, travel drama abounded on the return trip! After a 5+ hr delay, my flight was then cancelled, and I finally made it home 24 hours after my scheduled return.

I'm not even sure how it started, but the guy sitting right next to me and I had an extended conversation on the flight back (we had exchanged pleasantries throughout the previous day's delays). He felt comfortable opening up and shared some of the issues that he was facing with his father, the regrets that he had about his failed marriage, and his attempts to try to strengthen his relationships with his daughters. I listened with empathy and shared the strength that I have found by trying to put Christ in the center of my life. This led to a lengthy dialogue and ultimately a conversation about spiritual gifts and the journey to direct those on the behalf of others which really struck a chord with him. I happened to have my Spiritual Gifts workbook in the pocket of my seat and let him borrow it. He then read my workbook with interest for a long time. He shared that he felt that the entire purpose of the flight delay was to allow him to have that interaction with me and to reset his connection to his faith and family.

He followed up later to share that he had a perfect and beautiful interaction with his daughter and was beyond grateful for that interaction. I was also very happy to hear that he also had a wonderful visit with his dad where I think he was able to find some peace.

I am grateful for the Spiritual Gifts program and for the increased awareness of the importance of discerning our gifts and developing higher awareness for opportunities to help others and the courage and boldness to act.

Regards,
John