SHAPE: Master-Crafted for Ministry

Identifying My Lived Experiences

A lived experience is an experience that changes an individual. This is associated with hardships, problems, risk taking, effort and originality whereby individuals stretch themselves to improve their character, talents and knowledge. Life experience can be found in both failures and successes, positives and negatives, but is seldom a passive experience. For example, if you travel it may be the problems you face that end up being transformative and memorable whereas moments of convenience and comfort may have little effect. The following are common types of life experience. Check the ones have made a profound impact on you.

Adventure &/or Risk Taking	Meaningful conversations
Aging	Marriage
Alienation	Military service
Building things	Moments of wonder
Business success &/or Failure	Mistakes &/or Failures
Celebrations &/or Holidays	Natural disasters
Coaching &/or Mentoring	Obstacles and/or Difficulties
Conflict Resolution	Overcoming a fear
Dealing with difficult people	Overcoming a limitation
Dealing with uncertainty	Parenting
Demonstrating courage	Personal reflection
Difficult conversations	Personal sacrifice
Disappointment	Practice & self-discipline
Diverse environments	Project management
Divorce, separations & breakups	Public speaking
Emergencies	Pursuing intentions &/or goals
Enduring being misunderstood	Reconciliation & redemption
Experiences in nature	Reading &/or Study
Family	Recreation &/or Hobbies
Faith &/or Religion	Rejection &/or Acceptance
Fired &/or laid off	Responsibilities &/or Accountability
Forgiveness given or received	Retirement
Freedom &/or Independence	Rites of passage
Friendships	Romance &/or Relationships
Goal achievement	School, College, &/or Vocational Training
Grand-parenting	Selfless acts
Immersion in a new culture	Sickness &/or Physical pain
Influencing people	Social events
Insults &/or injustices	Sports
Intensive periods of training	Starting a business
Leadership	Taking the high road
Loss of loved ones	Teaching &/or Tutoring

☐ Teamwork☐ Travel☐ Volunteering &/or Serving	☐ Work, Carrier, &/or profession☐ Other
THE GREATEST IMPACT ON YO	ECKED ABOVE, CHOOSE THE 3 THAT HAVE HAD DU— DESCRIBE WHAT HAPPENED ALONG WITH IT IMPACTED YOU AS A PERSON.
Experience 1:	
Experience 2:	
Experience 3:	

WRITE YOUR 3 MOST IMPACTFUL LIVED EXPERIENCES ON THE SPACES PROVIDED UNDER **EXPERIENCES** IN YOUR SHAPE PROFILE (LOCATED AT THE END OF THIS BOOKLET).