



WHAT'S COMING OUT OF YOUR CONTAINER?

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Matthew 12:34-35 (NIV) 34 You brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. 35 A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him.

When it comes to the divine design of God involving our construct as mankind, God literally made us to be containers, and the quality and quantity of the content stored within us and allowed to pour out of us will determine the quality and the longevity of life we live, and ultimately the fulfillment of our divine purpose.

1. Mankind is the divine design of God.

Mankind did not evolve from apelike ancestors over millions of years. Mankind was created by the plan of God and for the purpose of God. God intricately and schematically designed mankind to the minutest detail.

Psalms 139:14 NLT - 14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well.

Why are people born with abnormalities and deformities?

Sin - when Adam and Eve sinned (Genesis 3), they brought evil, sickness, disease, and death into the world and it has been wreaking havoc on mankind ever since.

Birth defects occur not because of sins the parents or the baby have committed, but because of sin itself.

John 9:1-3 NKJV - Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. 2 And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" 3 Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him.

God can get the glory out of our lives no matter what the condition. David Ring is a prominent Christian evangelist who was born with cerebral palsy. David faced numerous challenges, and he has lived a life of faith and triumph. He began preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ in 1973. He has authored 2 books. David's message was often summarized by these catchphrases: "I have cerebral palsy, but cerebral palsy don't have me." / "I have cerebral palsy... What's your problem?" / "I have cerebral palsy, and I serve the Lord with all that is within me. What's your excuse?"

Quit making excuses. Know that God has placed awesome and marvelous gifts within you. Even though your container may be marred and scarred, God can still get the glory out of it.

God is looking at your availability more than your capability. If you make yourself available, He can put His super on your natural and enable you to function beyond what your body and your mind tell you.

2. Mankind was made a container.



In **Matthew 12:34-35** we are introduced to expressions such as "full of", "stored up in", and "bring ... things out of. These terms relate to the language used for the contents of a container.

The summation of our life and purpose is primarily based upon what we store and what we pour - what goes in us and what comes out of us.

God designed us with the ability to contain everything we would need to fulfill His purpose.

Philippians 2:13 NIV - 13 for it is God who works in you (in your container) to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

Mankind was designed with the ability to contain God within himself/herself.

John 17:22-24 NIV - 22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one— 23 I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity. Then the world will know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. 24 “Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.

Mankind was designed to intimately commune with God. When we talk about God being in us, we must embrace the idea that through Holy Spirit, we are connected to God at all times. We must become God inside-minded.

God's presence in us must not be an abstract concept; but it must become a profound reality.

Colossians 1:27 NIV - To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

When we come to the reality that God is in us, then we should live with the expectation that His glory will be revealed through us.

3. Mankind has the ability to obtain a quantity of content

We spoke of God creating us with the ability of Himself live inside us.

The capacity of the human brain:

* Estimated to contain 2.5 million gigabytes. A gigabyte is a unit of data storage. One gigabyte of data is equal to: 250 downloaded songs; 250 10-megapixel photos; 50,000 average emails with no attachments; 3,333 average emails with standard-sized attachments; 5 hours of standard-definition movies.

* The brain can hold vast amounts of info; it also replaces older memories with new ones as it forms new neural connections.

* God designed our brain far greater than a computer. A home computer normally has a 2,000-gigabyte capacity.