"God does not need our abilities. He only wants our availability."

Use Me

Moses was a real basket case. He killed a man. ran to the backside of the desert and hid there for 40 years. He, then, argued with God through a burning bush. "Sorry, God, no one will believe me. I cannot do it. I am a poor speaker." Ex 3-4 God replied, "I will be with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do." Ex 4:15 God then greatly used Moses as he surrendered to God's plan. Later, God used a shepherd boy named David to slay a giant with just one stone. The Lord, Himself, used a simple boy's lunch to feed over five thousand. Peter denied the Lord three times, but God used him to build His church. Saul had Christians put to death, but God converted him, and with his surrendered heart, he became the Apostle Paul. Jesus chose ordinary people - including fisherman and tax collectors - to be His disciples.

I recently watched a movie on <u>C S Lewis</u>. He was an outspoken atheist and who was involved in the occult. Through discussions with friends to disprove God, he realized he was wrong. He surrendered to Christ and great joy filled his life. Now hundreds years later, millions are still using his writings for Christ.

I also watched a movie on <u>Charles Spurgeon</u>. He preached his first message to a handful of people at the age of 16. He was converted only less than a year. At age 19, and with no formal education, he was called to the pastorate of London's famed New Park Street Chapel. At the first service, there were about 20 people. At, the next service, there were 200. Within a few months, there were over 2,000 in attendance. By age 22, he was often preaching to 10,000 at one time. His largest recorded audience was 23,654. This was with no electric sound system, TV, or internet. Over 100 years later, his church, publications, and college are still growing.

We all know <u>Billy Graham</u>. However, many do not know, that he was told by the President of a large Christian university that he would never amount to anything. Then he went into a deep depression because his first fianceé left him. Once he surrendered his life to whatever God wanted, he was greatly used. "According to his staff, more than 3.2 million people have responded to the invitation at Billy Graham Crusades to "accept Jesus Christ as their personal savior". He provided spiritual counsel for 11 different Presidents. In Moscow, in 1992, one-quarter of the 155,000 people in Graham's audience went forward at his call. Graham prepared one last sermon. "My Hope America" in November 2013."

One of the first books I read as a Christian was <u>"They Dared to Be Different"</u> by Anna Talbott McPherson. In it are stories of 17 original people that said to God: "Here am I; use me." They include D.L. Moody, John Knox, Charles Wesley, George Mueller, Fanny Crosby and many more. I loved that book. D.L. Moody worked in a shoe store and his highest level of education was the fifth grade before he surrendered to God's power. If the blind Fanny Crosby could write over 8,000 inspiring hymns and poems, then God could use me, Charles Stambaugh (a seeing English failure), to write for Him.

It does not matter your size, health, education, strength, popularity, nationality, background, age, past or wealth, God can use you. It is not by your strength or might, but by His Spirit. He will work through you. The world has not yet seen what one person totally consecrated to Christ can do. Is that one person you?

Charles Stambaugh

"I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me." Is 6:8



If You can use anything Lord, You can use me.
Take my hands, Lord and my feet.
Touch my heart, Lord and speak through me.
If You can use anything Lord, You can use me.

By: Ron Kenoly

Listen: This will inspire you: "Use Me"

¹en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Billy_Graham

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