



## Destiny Helpers: Help for the Natural Arena

### Natural Helpers: Hands, Skills, and Service

*And He has filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom and understanding, in knowledge and all manner of workmanship. (Exodus 35:31, NKJV)*

Modern ministry tends to elevate platform gifts and discount the gifts that operate behind the scenes. We celebrate the preacher and overlook the sound technician who made the preacher audible. We honor the prophet and forget the driver who got the prophet to the meeting. We applaud the worship leader and ignore the volunteer who unloaded the equipment at five in the morning. Tell me you have not seen this. We have all done it. But this is not a heavenly pattern. Heaven sees the helpers. Heaven names the helpers. Heaven rewards the helpers. And the day is coming when many platform ministers will be stunned to discover whose reward is greater than their own.

#### The Spirit-Filled Craftsman

In Exodus 31, the Lord called Moses up to the mountain and named two craftsmen by name. These were not priests. These were not prophets. These were tradesmen. Bezalel was a worker in metal, stone, and wood. Aholiab was a designer of cloth and an engraver. Yet of these two skilled laborers, the Lord said, *"I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship"* (Exodus 31:3, NKJV).

Read those words again. The same Spirit who hovered over the waters at creation, the same Spirit who descended upon the prophets, the same Spirit who would later be poured out at Pentecost—that same Spirit was given to two artisans for the building of the tabernacle. Their hammers were anointed. Their measuring lines were anointed. Their craftsmanship was an extension of the very Spirit of the living God.



## The Sacredness of the Trade

Every Destiny Helper who serves a ministry through natural skill walks in the lineage of Bezalel. The accountant who keeps the ministry books in order operates in a Bezalel grace. The web developer who builds the ministry’s online platform operates in a Bezalel grace. The volunteer who arranges the chairs and the one sweeping the floors operate in a Bezalel grace. Hear me: there is nothing secular about Spirit-anointed labor offered to a Kingdom assignment. The dichotomy between sacred and secular work is foreign to the New Testament. The hands that build the platform are as anointed as the lips that preach from it.

*And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men.*  
(Colossians 3:23, NKJV)

*Put your heart and soul into every activity you do, as though you are doing it for the Lord Himself and not merely for others.* (Colossians 3:23, TPT)

## How Natural Helpers Are Often Wounded

Natural helpers are often the first wave you receive, and frequently the first wave to be wounded. The wounding happens through small, repeated patterns rather than dramatic offenses. Their work is taken for granted. Their input on practical matters is dismissed because they are “*only the volunteer.*” They are passed over for honor at appreciation events. They are praised privately and forgotten publicly. Over time, the accumulated weight of overlooked service drains them, and they quietly drift away—leaving you to wonder why a once-vibrant team has thinned. Do not let this happen to you. The Lord brought me to this lesson harder than I would have liked, and I have determined never to be the leader who lets the natural helpers around me feel invisible.

When you learn to honor your natural helpers—by name, by acknowledgment, by inclusion, by genuine relationship—you preserve a stream of help that money cannot buy and recruitment drives cannot replicate. The fastest way to multiply your team is to genuinely honor the team you already have. Word travels. Faithful people are watching how you treat the faithful people already serving you.



## The Body Cannot Function Without Hands

*And the eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you'; nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.'* (1 Corinthians 12:21, NKJV)

Notice the specific pairings Paul chose. The eye, which sees, cannot dismiss the hand, which works. The head, which directs, cannot dismiss the feet, which carry. This is a precise rebuke of any ministry culture that exalts the visionary over the laborer. A visionary without hands is a vision without fulfillment. A head without feet is a body that cannot move. Your natural helpers are not optional appendages of your ministry; they are the means by which the ministry walks across the earth. Let that settle in your spirit. Without their hands, your vision goes nowhere.

## Recognizing the Heaven-Sent Natural Helper

Not everyone who volunteers is a Destiny Helper. Some are sincere believers serving in a season. Some are passing through. But the Destiny Helper in the natural stream often carries identifying marks. They feel an unexplained burden for the ministry. Their gifts seem unusually well-matched to the ministry's specific need. They serve faithfully without demanding visibility. They quietly pray for the ministry even when no one asks. And often, when you trace the timeline, you discover they arrived precisely when their gift was about to be needed—sometimes before the ministry itself realized the need.

Heaven's logistics are exquisite. The carpenter arrives the season before the building project. The IT professional arrives the season before the website rebuild. The administrator arrives the season before the ministry's growth would have collapsed without administration. I have watched this pattern dozens of times. Do not chalk it up to coincidence. Recognize the hand of the Sender. The same Father who orchestrated the timing of your own steps into ministry is orchestrating the timing of those He sends to assist you.

## How to Steward Natural Helpers Well

Stewarding natural helpers requires intentionality. Let me give you a few foundational practices that will preserve and prosper this stream of help in your ministry.



**First, know their names.** There is a sanctifying power in being known. When you call the helper by name, you communicate that they are not interchangeable, not anonymous, not a body filling a slot. They are a person with an assignment. I have made it a discipline to learn the first names of every regular volunteer at any work I am responsible for. It costs me nothing and it changes the spiritual atmosphere of the team.

**Second, honor publicly what is done privately.** The volunteer who wired the sound system, the team that set up the chairs, the family that fed the visiting speaker—these labors should be named from the platform regularly, not as flattery but as the simple recognition of partnership. When was the last time you publicly thanked someone by name from your platform? If you cannot remember, today is the day to start.

**Third, do not exhaust them.** Heaven did not send a helper to be consumed; Heaven sent a partner to be cultivated. Watch their pace. Honor their rhythms. Build margin into their service. The ministry that burns through its volunteers does not understand what Heaven has sent. If you find that the same five people are doing the work that twenty should be doing, you are heading for a wreck. Slow down. Recruit. Distribute. Rest your team.

**Fourth, develop them.** Many natural helpers carry latent calls to fivefold ministry that have not yet been awakened. The faithful sound technician may one day become a worship leader. The faithful administrator may one day plant a ministry of their own. As you steward them, you are also preparing them for the next dimension of their own assignment. Some of the strongest leaders I know in Crown Ecclesia today began as natural helpers in someone else's ministry. Do not view your helpers only through the lens of what they can do for you. View them through the lens of what Heaven is preparing them to become.

### ***A Leader's Commitment to Natural Helpers***

*I will know the names of those who serve my assignment.*

*I will honor publicly what is given privately.*

*I will not consume the helpers Heaven has sent.*

*I will steward, not merely use, the gifts placed around me.*



*I will pray for, not merely depend upon, those who labor with me.*

*I will release them to grow into the fullness of their own call.*