

属于你的恩赐

神从祂百般的属灵恩赐中各给予你们一项恩赐。各人要照所领受的恩赐好好彼此服侍。——彼得前书 4:10

嗨，孩子们，上课罗，先从帐篷说起。你什么时候需要帐篷呢？当你去露营的时候，对吧！？如果你以前去过野营，你就会知道你会想多带一些东西放在帐篷里，比如：保暖的睡袋，照明的手电筒，或者一瓶杀虫剂，如果你和我一样讨厌蚊子的话。

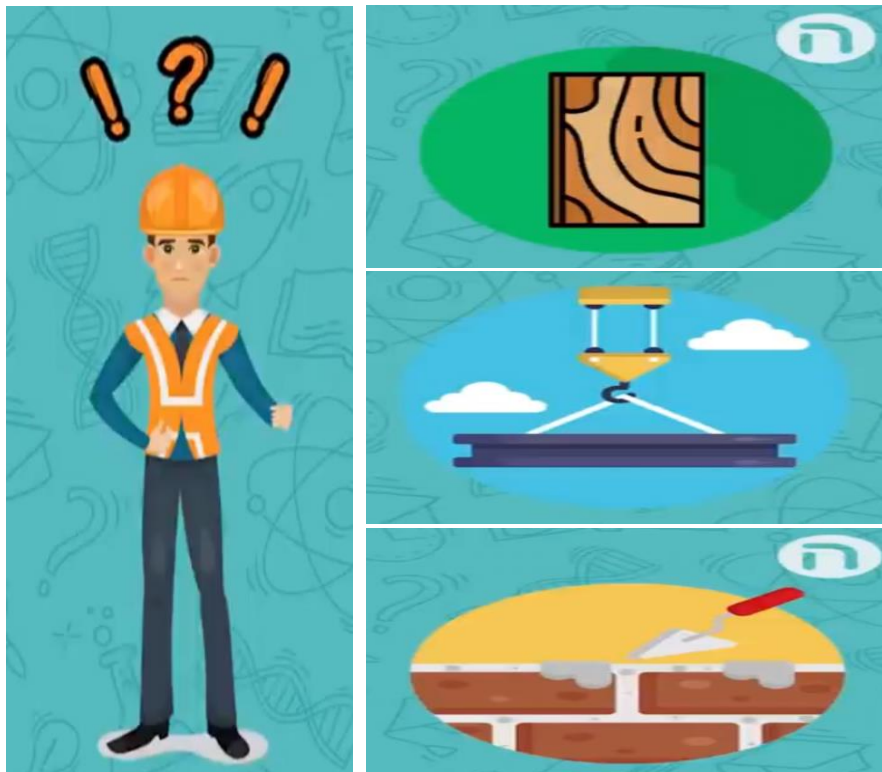


在野外露营三五天，甚至几周可能都会很有趣，对吧！？但是想象一下，如果你要在帐篷里呆上好几年，会怎么样呢？这就是摩西和上帝的子民--以色列人所经历的。从他们离开埃及一直到他们进入应许之地，他们就住在帐篷里大约长达几乎 40 年之久。

在那段时间里，无论他们把帐篷搭在哪里，在他们营地的中央总是有一个非常特别的帐篷。这个帐篷被称为帐幕。帐幕的形状有点像鞋盒，扁平状，呈长方形。从外面，你只能看见支撑门框的柱子和门框顶部和四周的兽皮，一点也不好玩。但在帐幕的上方，白天有云柱在它上方，夜间就有燃着的明亮的火柱在它上方。在营地里的每个人都知道，此帐幕不仅仅是一个特殊的帐幕，它可是一个神圣的神住的地方。



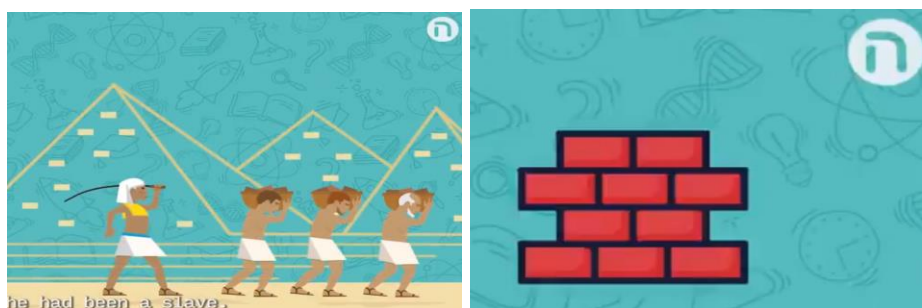
今天的圣经故事与帐幕有关，就是如何制造帐幕的故事。这一切都始于神对摩西说：“**为我造一座圣所，我要住在我民中间。**”想象一下，如果上帝给了你这样的指示。——什么?? 为上帝建造一个帐篷? 你想到会用到什么材料了吗? 木头吗? 金属，还是砖头? 我怎么知道该如何做? 甚至该从哪里下手?



好消息是，神并没有丢下这个重任让摩西独自去弄清楚该如何做，神给了他建造帐幕的所有计划，告诉他怎样建造帐幕和帐幕里面的一切摆设。神给他清晰的指示，要用什么材料，如金、银、珠宝和所有其他贵重的材料等。神的建造计划是荣耀而奇妙的，但是这并不是一件容易的事。负责建造帐幕的人必须清楚物件所放的地方，并且要知道怎样使帐幕看起来美观，配得上神的荣耀。哇，这是一个艰巨的任务！但你猜事情会如何？

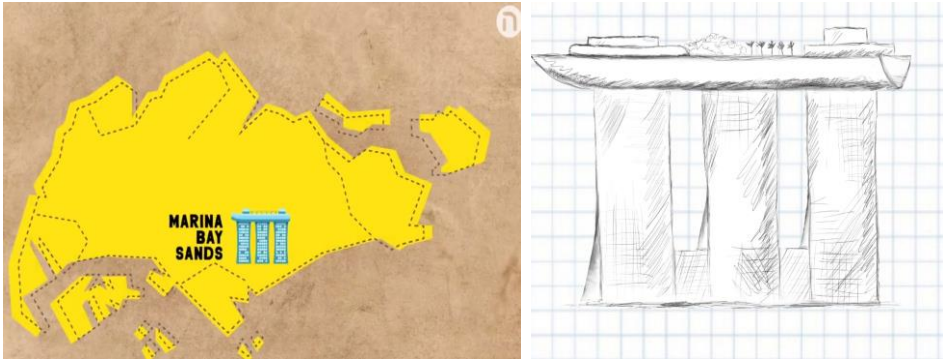


神已指派人来帮助摩西完成他的使命。出埃及记 31:1 告诉我们，耶和华晓谕摩西说：“犹大支派中户珥的孙子，乌利的儿子比撒列，我已经题他的名召他。”比撒列是谁？一个很棒的建筑师吗，还是一个著名的艺术家？神拣选比撒列造帐幕和其中各物件的时候，比撒列还未曾用过金，银，和宝石等材料制造物件的任何经验。**比撒列所有的经验可能是重复用泥制作砖头而已。**在出埃及以前，比撒列是一个奴隶，过着当奴仆的生活，他可能整天都在埃及的烈日下劳作。比撒列没有接受过任何培训，也没有经验，他甚至连艺术课都没上过。



那么，神为什么要拣选比撒列呢？答案就在出埃及记 31 章 2-3 节，此处经文告诉我们：“**我也以我的灵充满了他，使比撒列充满智慧，聪明，有知识，能作各样的工。**”神会赐给比撒列所需要的智慧，不仅使他脑子得聪明，还使他双手得灵巧能制作所做的。神赐予比撒列的恩赐是何等珍贵！神将比撒列以前所没有的技能和能力赐给他。神不仅告诉比撒列要做什么，神也指示他怎样去做。能得到特殊的技能和能力听起来会很棒，但神给了比撒列更令人敬畏的东西——**神用圣灵充满了比撒列，又赐他智慧，聪明，知识，使比撒列拥有生活中通往幸福和成功所需要的一切。**

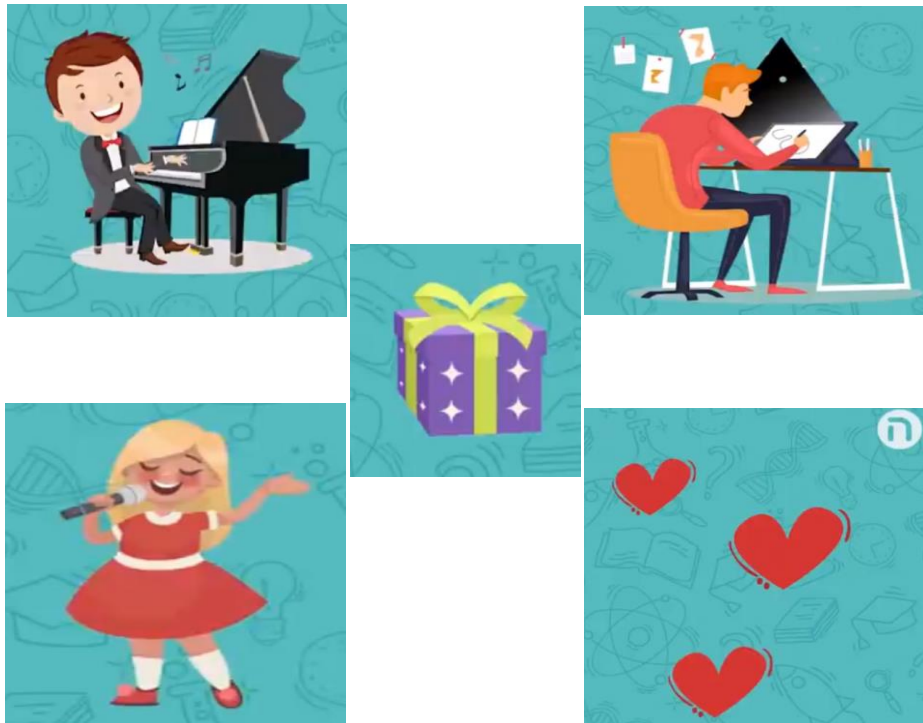
好消息是：神成就在比撒列身上的作为，今天同样也会成就在我们身上。以下就是一个确切的见证，此见证始于新加坡滨海湾金沙大厦开建之前。当时有一项伟大的工程，是要建成 57 层楼高的金沙大厦，且要在其顶端建一个巨大的游泳池。



有许多著名的大公司参与招标，想建造这个巨大的游泳池。但同时还有另外一个人，是我们教会的一位弟兄，他也参加招标也想能接到这个大工程。与其他公司相比，这位弟兄的公司规模不大，名气也不够响亮，看上去似乎还不够资格。但好消息是，这位弟兄每周日都听到神的奇妙作为和丰盛恩赐的好消息，和你们每个周日所听到的一样。他并没有只看自己和自己所不能行的事，而是仰望耶和華，向神求智慧使他知道该怎样行。当主管人员开会决定谁将得到这份工作 时，他们居然选中了他——一间最小的公司被选去做最伟大的工程！哇！最重要的是，神不仅赐给他这项工程，神也赐予他所有的智慧、技能和能力来做好这项工程。今天，他所建造的游泳池为世界上最高的游泳池而闻名。



神在圣经中成就在比撒列身上的作为，直到今天仍然发生在众人身上。神成就在那位弟兄身上的见证，今天神仍然会持续成就在你我身上。今天，神仍然将特殊的技能和才能赋予我们每一个人。请和我一起看《彼得前书》第4章第10节，你可能也需要标记强调一下，说：“**神从祂百般的属灵恩赐中各给予你们一项恩赐。各人要照所领受的恩赐好好彼此服侍。**”恩赐是神赐予我们的礼物。那么神给了你什么礼物呢？你想要什么样的礼物？是要打开包装盒才能看到的那种礼物吗？不是的，**神所赐的礼物是赋予你特殊才能或能力让你擅长做某些事的那种天赋，这就是神给你的恩赐。**它可以是一些显而易见的东西，比如弹钢琴弹得很好，或者唱歌，或者像比撒列一样做一些艺术上的工作；也可能是一些不太容易发现的事情，比如对他人友善、乐于助人，或者鼓励身边的人。是的，善良也是神所赐的礼物。



真正的好消息是神已经给了你这样的礼物，它已经在你体内，随时准备被使用。使用来干什么呢？变成富人或名人？我们的神是如此的良善，也许祂给你的礼物能做到这一点。但真正的原因可以在今天的经文中找到。再次翻到《彼得前书》第4章10节。让我们看看。它是这样说的：“**神从祂百般的属灵恩赐中各给予你们一项恩赐。各人要照所领受的恩赐好好彼此服侍。**”它的意思是说神给了你恩赐。当神给你恩赐时，你可以确信祂也会给你一个机会去彼此服侍。

那么，你知道所得你的恩赐是什么吗？如果你还不太确定，问问了解你和爱你的人，问问你的父母，甚至你的老师。最好的办法是，你可以求问神，你可以祷告神说：“**天父，你给了我什么恩赐？你想让我用它做什么？求你指明给我。**”当你领会到的时候，用神所赐给你的恩赐去成为别人的祝福吧！

孩子们，如果你正在听这个故事，你从来没有邀请耶稣进入你的生命，成为你的主和救主，你现在可以这样做，跟着我重复这个祷告：“亲爱的主耶稣，感谢你为我死在十字架上。你是神的儿子，你死了，也被埋葬，第三天又复活了。你宝血洗去了我所有的罪，使我得以永远与阿爸天父在一起。我请求你现在进入我的生命里，成为我的主和救主，我永远是个义人，永远是有福的，永远是神的孩子。奉耶稣的名，阿门！”

YOU HAVE A GIFT

God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to treat each other. —1 Peter 4:10

Hey Rock Kidz, let's start by talking about tents. When do you need a tent? When you go camping! If you've been camping before, you know that there are a few things that you want to have with you inside your tent, like a sleeping bag to keep you warm. A lantern or flashlight to help you see. Or if you hate mosquitoes as much as me, a can of bug spray as well.

Camping in the wilderness for a few days or maybe even a few weeks seem to be fun. But can you imagine living in a tent for years and years? This is what Moses and God's people, the Israelites did from the time they left Egypt all the way until they entered the promise land almost 40 years later. They lived in tents.

During that time, no matter where they pitched their tents, one very special tent was always at the center of their camp. This tent was called - the Tabernacle. The tabernacle was shaped a bit like a shoebox, rectangular and flat. From the outside, all you can see was the pillars that held up the doorway and the animal skins that cover the top and sides. Not very interesting at all. But above the tabernacle a pillar of cloud stood over it by day, and a pillar of fire burned brightly over it by night. Everyone in the camp knew that the tabernacle was not just a special tent, it was a holy place where God's presence stayed.

Today's Bible story has to do with the tabernacle. But it is also the story about the way the tabernacle was made. It all started when God told Moses "Build me a holy tent. I will live among my people." Imagine if God gave you this instruction. What!!! Build a tent for God to live? What would you even use? Wood? Metal? Bricks? How would you know what to do, or where would you even start?

The good news is that God didn't leave Moses to figure out what to do all by himself. God gave him the building plans. That's right, God told Moses how to build the tabernacle and all the things in it. God gave instructions on what materials to use, gold, silver, jewels and all other precious materials. God's building plans were glorious and amazing, but they were not easy things to make! The person in charge of building the tabernacle had to know where everything went and how to make it beautiful and worthy of God. Wow, that was a tall order! But guess what?

God also sent someone to help Moses get the job done. In Exodus 31, it tells us, then the Lord spoke to Moses. He said, "I have chosen Bezalel, the son of Uri... from the tribe of Judah." Who was Bezalel? A fantastic architect? A famous artist? No, when God chose Bezalel to build the tabernacle and all the things in it, Bezalel had no experience making things out of gold, silver or precious jewels. All Bezalel had experience in making was probably bricks and more bricks, out of mud! You see, until the day Bezalel left Egypt, he had been a slave. Yes! A slave! As a slave, he probably spent all day, every day toiling under the hot Egyptian sun. Bezalel had no training and no experience. He didn't even go to art class.

So why did God pick Bezalel? The answer is in the very next verse! Exodus 31:1 tells us, "I have filled him with the Spirit of God, I have filled Bezalel with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skill." God would give him all the wisdom he needed, not just the things he knew in his head, but also all the things that he had to do with his hands! What a precious gift God gave Bezalel! God drops skills and ability into Bezalel that he did not have before. God not only told Bezalel what to do,

God showed him how to do it as well. Special skills and ability sound wonderful to have, but God gave Bezalel something even more awesome. God filled Bezalel with the Holy spirit, and gave Bezalel wisdom, understanding and knowledge, everything he needed to be happy and successful in life.

The good news is what God did for Bezalel, God still does for us today. This testimony starts before the Marina Bay Sands towers in Singapore were built, wanted to put an enormous swimming pool right at the top, 57 stories high!

Many big and famous companies wanted to be chosen to build this pool. But there was someone else, a man also from our church who also wanted to be picked. Compared to the rest, his company was not big or famous enough to qualify. But the good news is he hears the same good news you hear every Sunday. Instead of looking at himself and all that he could not do, he looked to the Lord and asked for wisdom to know what to do. The people in charge met to decide who would get the job. And they picked him. The smallest company was picked to do the biggest job! Wow! Best of all, God not only gave him the job, God also gave him all the wisdom, skill and ability to get the job done well. Today, the swimming pool he built is famous for being the highest swimming pool in the world.

What God did for Bezalel in the Bible God still does today. What God did for the man in the testimony, God still does for you and me today. God still drops special skills and talents into each and everyone of us today. Look! Turn with me to 1 Peter 4: 10. You might want to highlight this as well. **It says: "God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."** What is God given you? A gift! What kind of gift? The kind you unwrap with your hands? No, the kind that gives you that special talent or ability that makes you good at what you do. It could be something obvious like being able to play the piano really well or sing or like Bezalel to do artistic things. It could also be something that is not so easy to spot, like being kind and helpful to others, or to be encourager to the people around you. Yes, being kind is also a gift from God!

The really good news is that God has given you a gift. It's already in you, ready to be used. Used for what? To become rich and famous? Well, our God is so good that maybe the gift He has given you can do just that. But the real reason is found in today's verse. Turn to 1 Peter 4: 10 again. Let's have a look. **It says: "God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."** God has given you a gift. When God give you a gift, you can be sure that he will also give you a chance to serve one another.

Do you know what your gift is? If you are not too sure, ask the people who know you and love you. Ask your parents or maybe even your teachers. Best of all, you can ask God. Ask God, **"What gift have you given me? And what do You want me to do with it?"** Ask God and he will surely show you. and when you know, use what God has blessed you with to be a blessing to others.

Hey Rock Kidz, if you are listening to this story and you've never asked Jesus to come into your life to be your Lord and Saviour, you can do so now. Just repeat this prayer after me, "Dear Lord Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross for me. You are the Son of God, who died, was buried and on the third day, you rose again. Your precious blood washed away all my sins making me forever right with Daddy God. I ask You now to come into my life to be my Lord and Saviour. I am forever righteous, forever blessed, forever a child of God. In Jesus' name," and everyone say, "Amen."