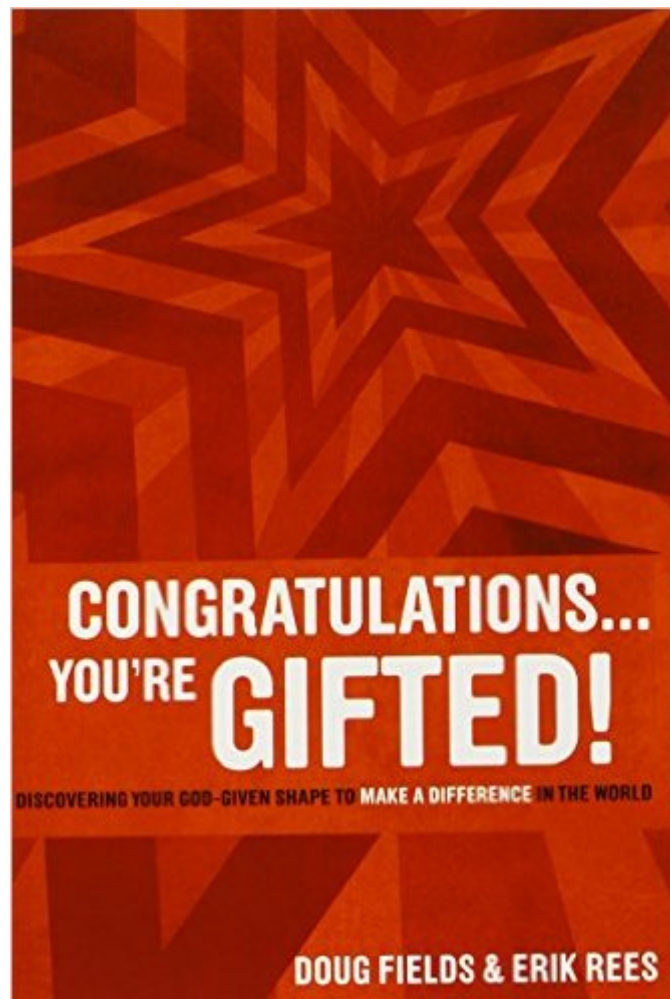


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This is basically a remake of S.H.A.P.E. targeted to youth. Unfortunately it is rather thin on content and a stretch to call it a book. The font is very spaced, and large and there are many pages with no words at all. Many labored references to commercial establishments and pop culture in an effort to speak the language of its targeted group. "Non hip, can't pretend to be hip". The youth in our church

did not respond very well to the content and they mostly were laughing at it which wasn't the intent. They are 14-18 years old so maybe it would work on 9 - 12 years old. I think there are more comprehensive study books for young adults to engage in and grow in their spiritual lives. There are some theological and biblical presumptions in this book that are debatable and mostly serve to support the premise of the idea that we are all gifted and want to find what those gifts are so we can be more effective in our world. The message itself is beautiful, but to assume it is the sole property of evangelical Christians is inaccurate. I think Rick Warren and Erik Rees have done very well with their book sales though marketing, but in this case, I would strongly suggest reading it before recommending it to a group. Maybe it will work well for you. It didn't for us. It is underwhelming as a book, and should at best be a leaflet or tract. I think our youth could have actually grasped the elementary message found in S.H.A.P.E. anyway. No more dumbing down was necessary. (or possible) I would be interested in reading other feedback.

Overall a good book for youth ministry! If it had a spiritual gifts test in it I would have given it five stars.

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