

6 QUESTIONS TO ENGAGE YOUR CREATIVITY

Creativity does not just magically occur. It's not a Cinderella fairy tale—Creativity is born in the heart of one who is intently focused on solving a problem; developing an invention; writing a book; engineering a new design, or even simply making a dress. Creativity requires both inspiration and discipline, this is why much of my *Cultivate Your Creativity* series explores what causes your creativity. Here are some questions for you to consider. Take a sheet of paper and jot down your thoughts and responses:

#1: Why do you create? What is your purpose? Do you create for the applause of the crowd? Or to be the center of attention? Certainly the attention will fade and focus will be redirected towards someone else!

#2: What are you creating? This is where your project begins and where practicality adds definition to your creativity! Value your ideas. Record your thoughts. Celebrate small milestones!

#3: When do you create? Many people wait for a moment of inspiration to create. Professionals work to deadline—NOT to pleasure! Ask yourself, what habits of creativity work best for you? Do you find yourself most creative in the morning or in the evening? Know your own body rhythms and develop disciplines that support your creativity!

#4: How do you create? Ponder these questions: are you an avid reader? Do you enjoy researching your subject? *Get busy absorbing and discovering ideas for your creative passion!*

#5: WHO helps you create? Do you work best when collaborating with others? Does a team stimulate your creativity? What talented individuals have you included in your creative process?

#6: Where do you best create? To answer this question, let's briefly review our CULTIVATE YOUR CREATIVITY series: **Your Environment can Stimulate Creativity:** Your 5 senses are a great gateway for creativity!

Adversity can be a Catalyst for your Creativity: *Remember*, having problems is not the issue, but thinking your life should be without problems is...

Next, recognize that **the Power of a Positive Thought** can open your future to bright possibilities!

ACKNOWLEDGE that **Creativity IS a Thought Process:** You can develop discipline of thought to master your creativity!

REMEMBER: **Stimulate Your Creativity to ACTION.** A sense of urgency will motivate your creativity! Times of crisis can cultivate your Creativity!

PS Is the pursuit of your dream falling short? *Never forget*—MIRACLES HAPPEN! Bring what you have to God—and let Him *multiply it!*





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