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IF THE SHOE DOESN'T FIT THEN DON'T WEAR IT

You may remember the children's story Cinderella. She had several stepsisters that treated her bad. Her fairy godmother came and changed her into a princess so she could go to a ball and be chosen by the prince for marriage. She was told to leave at midnight because she would turn back into her old self, dirty and in rags. Sure enough, it happened just as the clock struck twelve. She ran from the presence of the prince and when she did, she lost one of the beautiful shoes that were clear as glass. As the story goes, the prince searches for "the princess" that the shoe fit. Every girl in the kingdom tried it on, but it did not fit any of them. When he came to Cinderella, she tried it on and it fit perfectly, and as the fairy tale goes, she became a princess and married the prince.

The key to her success was a shoe. It was made for her. It fit her perfectly while the others' feet did not fit even closely.

In the body of Christ there are many that are trying to wear shoes that don't fit them. They are trying to walk in gifts that they have not been "fitted" for. As a Pastor I have seen it over and over. You may see someone very gifted in music but think they should Pastor. Then there are those that are Pastoring that have absolutely no anointing (giftings) to go with that position.

Whenever we try to fit where we don't belong things will never come together. Each of us is made to fit into the body of Christ. The Holy Spirit places us there at salvation. We then find out who we are in Christ and become what He has planned.

Perhaps you are doing something in the secular world or in the church and it is just not working out. Have you truly considered if this is what God has called you to do? Maybe it is time to "have a little talk with Jesus," and find out where you truly fit. The fivefold ministry has been given to the Church to equip the saints to do the work of ministry. Ministry is not necessarily preaching. It could be helps as a servant in the church. There are many parts, but Jesus supplies the joints to hold it together. If you need help in finding your place, then ask your Pastor. He should be qualified to help you find the "shoe that fits" for you.