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Those with gifts of Apostleship introduce new ministries to the church. These are people who blaze new trails, pioneer new endeavors, and step out into uncharted territory. They may have a great desire to reach out to unreached peoples, to establish a new ministry, and to spread the vision of the mission of the church.	This is one of my gifts _____ I am unsure if I have this gift _____ This is not one of my gifts _____
Questions on the assessment that pertain to Apostleship:	Review each question and jot down what comes to mind:
<i>I have been successful in starting new ministries.</i>	
<i>When I see a need in the church or community, I envision how to create a ministry to meet the need.</i>	
<i>I have been told I exhibit an entrepreneurial capacity.</i>	
Some words that describe people with this gift:	Put a checkmark below if you feel the word describes you:
Starter	
Entrepreneur	
Pioneer	
Risk-taker	
Adventurous	
Culturally sensitive	
Potential negatives to this gift:	Check the ones that feel like particular warnings for your use of the gift:
May get bored easily with existing ministries/programs.	
May always be advocating change and innovation without recognizing people's often limited capacity for change or failing to spot change exhaustion.	
Vision may conflict with that of other key leaders in the organization.	
Some possible ways to serve using this gift:	Check which ways to serve sound like a potential fit for you, or add to the list:
• Founder of a company	
• Short-term missionary	
• Long-term missionary	
• Planter of new church ministries	



• Planter of new churches	
• Starter of new community outreach/non-profit organization	
• Involvement wherever there is a need for a new ministry or a new approach to ministry	
• Vision committee member	
• Strategic planning committee member	
• Early adopter of new ideas	
• Inventor	

Quotations from individuals with this gift:

KV: "I have a keen desire to reach out to unreached peoples, to help establish new ministries, and to spread the vision of the mission of the church. I am most comfortable in settings that are culturally different than the majority U.S."

DS: "I think the gift of apostleship is about being compelled to break new ground and set off into new frontiers. I've been involved with 'start-up' ministries for most of my adult life, and still seem to find more to be part of. New churches, a church in a pub, new ministries, new classes, a neighborhood Bible study, a new institute and a new initiative are some of the 'new' that have formed my calling of apostleship. Nothing like the road to Damascus, but the continual goading of the Spirit moves me onward."

LS: "Learning that I have the gift of Apostleship has shed so much light on why I love to pioneer new places for the reach of the Gospel and justice for the poor and oppressed. This gift continues to allow me to naturally cross cultures and create new opportunities for movements, discipleship and sustained ministry, whether in the United States or abroad."

If you think you have this gift, write your own quotation (a description of what this looks like in your life):

Having reviewed this gift in detail above, who else do you think exhibits this gift?

Jot down your reactions/reflections here: