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"WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND?"

(1 Cor. 12:14-22)

1. MOSES

(Ex. 4:2) "What is that in thy hand? And he said, A rod."  
"A rod" - a shepherd's crook; a staff.

God asks us to use what we already have and put it into His service.

2. SAMSON - (Judges 15)

(v15) "and he found a new jawbone of a beast, and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a thousand therewith"

(v17) When the task is finished, he throws it aside; however, (v18) later, he's thirsty, and (v19) God takes him back to the jawbone to be revived.

If you have laid aside your talent, go back and pick it up and put it to use.

3. SHAMGAR - (Judges 3:31) "and after him was Shamgar the son of Anath, which slew of the Philistines 600 men with an oxgoad: and he also delivered Israel"

Whatever is in your hand (talent and ability), use it!

4. DAVID

(1 Sam. 17:33) "... for thou art but a youth" - - that's OK; there's work to do.  
Concerning King Saul's armor: (v39) "I cannot go with these, for I have not proved them.  
And David put them off"

(v40) "and chose five smooth stones ... and his sling was in his hand"

(v50) "so David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone ... "

With God on your side, use what you have, and prevail.

5. GIDEON - (Judges 7)

(v7) "the Lord said to Gideon, by the three hundred will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thy hand"

(v16) "and he put a trumpet in every man's hand, with empty pitchers, and lamps within"

Again, with God on your side, using your talents, much may be accomplished.

6. WIDOW - (Mark 12:41-44) "... she threw in two mites ... "

Hymn #664 Take My Life ...

CLOSE - that's right, we are not alike in talent; so, use what you have!