

## You Are Set Apart to ...

I once spent \$15 at a garage sale for a guitar. I didn't care if it worked; I didn't care how it sounded. I had another idea in mind. **I made a lamp.**

*(I wanted the light to come on when you strummed the strings, but I'm not that smart. So I settled on making the lights dim with the volume control.)*



This idea is certainly not original with me. I've seen similar guitars in fancy-schmancy stores for \$800. And this is not the only creative thing you can do with a guitar. People have taken a guitar and turned it into ...



Maybe this has your creative juices flowing. *What can I do with that old guitar my son bought years ago when he planned to be the next Bruce Springsteen?* **Want to know the most creative use of a guitar?**

### Play it.

Guitars were not designed to light a room or hold a collection of your grandmother's Precious Moments figurines. A guitar is set apart from lights, bookcases, and clocks for one reason: it is set apart to be played.

You were created and set apart for one purpose: to glorify God.

As followers of Christ, we've been set apart. That's what the word *holy* means: to be set apart. It's also the idea behind the word *sanctified*. We are sanctified—set apart—in Christ. Sanctification, then, is growing into that holiness, becoming more and more like Christ.

"Be holy, because I am holy" (1 Pet. 1:16).

Want to know the best way to enjoy life? Recognize that you have been set apart in Christ and live the life He has set you apart to live. We all want joy and happiness in our lives, and we chase it in a hundred different directions. But when we live our lives fully for God's glory, we're overwhelmed with joy.

- "...the people I formed for myself that they may proclaim my praise" ([Isa. 43:21](#)).
- "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do" ([Eph. 2:10](#)).
- "Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever." —Westminster Shorter Catechism

So be the "set apart" instrument in God's hands. Let Him "play" you. Then enjoy the beautiful music He brings to your life as you grow in Him.