The Skill of the Violinist

A renowned violinist announced before a concert that he would play one of the world's most expensive violins.

His first composition was played flawlessly, and the audience was thrilled at the performance. After taking his bows, he suddenly smashed the instrument, completely demolishing it. The audience was horrified – that is, until the violinist explained that he had been playing a cheap violin.

Then, picking up the expensive instrument, the virtuoso began to draw the bow across the strings. The sound was beautiful, but most of the people couldn't tell any difference between the music from the expensive violin and the first one. The quality of the instruments was secondary to the skill of the violinist.

It's something like that in our service for the Lord. God made us, and gave each one unique and very different abilities. Many of you, for example, are possessed of talents to do things I could never dream of doing.

But like the story of the two violins, we can be instruments in the Master's hands to magnify Him and bring blessing to others. In Life Care, Century Park and Life Care at Home, we have that opportunity every day.

--Beecher Hunter