

The Holy Spirit

Spiritual Gifts

Helps, Mercy, Wisdom, Faith,
Teaching, Healing, Miracles,
Discernment, Prophecy, Exhortation,
Giving, Government, Tongues,
Interpretation

Don't be ignorant of them.

Trinity works together

All gifts are necessary

None indicate spirituality

Enemy may counterfeit

Every believer has one or more spiritual gift.

No believer is exempt from any particular gift.

No one gift is better than any other

The Purpose of Gifts

1. Signs – Four sign gifts

Tongues

Interpretation

Healings

Miracles

2. Edify the Church -

**Now to each one the
manifestation of the
Spirit is given for the
common good.**

1 Corinthians 12:7

For your gift to function

Abide in Him –

John 15:4 – 5

Walk in the Spirit –

Galatians 5:16 - 17

Common Gifts??

Faith

Mercy

Giving

Helps

Definition of “Gifts”

“A Spiritual Gift is the ability and/or sensitivity in ministry above and beyond that which is common to all of us.”

The Gifts

Ministry (Serving) –

Romans 12:7 or

Helps –

1 Corinthians 12:28

Definition

Ministry of caring for poor, sick and needy, and most any service in the church.

Possibly a deacon.

Examples

- **Acts 6:1 – 6 Deacons were chosen**
- **Romans 16:12 - Women commended for their hard work**
- **Philippians 4:3 - women contended at Paul's side**

Mercy Romans 12:8

Definition - “Deeds of kindness, spontaneous and voluntary, cheerfully done for others in general.”

- **1 Corinthians 16:15 - 18**

- **2 Timothy 1:16 - 18**

Word of Wisdom

1 Corinthians 12:8

Definition - Ability to give wise counsel on personal and/or spiritual matters, having insight into the true nature of things, and always in agreement with the Word of God.

Examples

James 3:7 – Wisdom from above...

**1 Corinthians 6:1 – 5 -
“...is nobody among you
wise enough...”**

Word of Knowledge (Teaching)

- **Romans 12:7 – Teaching**
- **1 Corinthians 12:8 – Word of knowledge**
- **1 Corinthians 12:28 - Teachers**

Definition - Ability to speak with knowledge of the Word and teach concerning the truth of God and duties of men. The ability to pass on simply and understandably the Word of God.

Example

- Acts 18:26 – “... expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.”

Faith

1 Corinthians 12:9 & 13:2

**Definition - Special wonder
working faith which
expects and sees great
things take place.**

Not the same as...

- **Saving Faith - Romans 10:17**
- **Hebrews 11 Faith**
- **James 5 Faith**
- **Example - Acts 6:8**

Healing

- **1 Corinthians 12:9 & 28**

Definition – The power to heal sickness and diseases by speaking, touching, or less.

Examples

- **Acts 3:6 – Peter with the lame man**
- **Acts 9:34 – Peter with Aeneas**

Notice

The gift of healing has nothing to do with the faith of the person being healed.

James 5:15 – Is not the Spiritual Gift.

Miracles

1 Corinthians 12:10

Definition - Works of supernatural origin and character such as cannot be produced by natural agents or means.

A Miracle?



Examples

- **Acts 9:40 – Peter raised Tabitha from the dead.**
- **Acts 20 – Eutychus fell three stories and died. Paul restored him to life.**

Prophecy

Romans 12:6

1 Corinthians 12:10

1 Corinthians 14

Definition of Prophecy

1 Corinthians 14:3 “But he that prophesies speaks unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort.”

Example

Acts 15:32 - “Judas and Silas, who themselves were prophets, said much to encourage and strengthen the brothers.”

Discerning of Spirits

1 Corinthians 12:10

**Definition – The ability to
sort out truth from false.**

**Reading the situation and
getting down to the truth.**

Discerning of Spirits is NOT...

- **Reading minds**
- **Detecting or casting out demons**
- **1 John 4:1 - 3**

Exhortation

Romans 12:8

Definition – Ability to urge believers on to a closer, higher walk or maturity and to deeper self dedication to Christ.

Three key elements

1. The message is from God.

1 Thessalonians 2:3 – 4

**2. Done with longsuffering
and doctrine.**

2 Timothy 4:2

3. Done with authority

Titus 2:15

Giving – Romans 12:8

Definition – Ability to share with others liberally when seeing a need, with no thought of getting anything in return.

Government

Romans 12:8 –

Leader or ruler

1 Corinthians 12:28 –

Government or

Administrator

Definition

One who guides and governs the Body. One who is able to bring the various members together to work in harmony and unity.

NOT A BOSS!

He recognizes the strengths and weakness of the team members.

James in Acts 15

Tongues

“If a person is saved, he is ready to receive the Holy Spirit.”

Kenneth Hagin

“God is a Spirit. When we pray in tongues, our spirit is in direct contact with God, who is a Spirit. We are talking to Him in a divine, supernatural means.”

Kenneth Hagin

**Hebrews 4:6 – We can
come boldly...**

**Romans 8:26 – Groanings
that cannot be uttered...**

“Kontext”

First use of tongues

Acts 2 – Day of Pentecost

A.D. 30

Last tongues in Acts

Acts 19:6 A.D. 54 - 57

**1 Corinthians chapters
12 – 14 A.D. 57**

**Acts 2:5 – dwelling in
Jerusalem JEWS from
every nation...**

Acts 2:6 – “...in his own language.”

Acts 2:8 – “...in our own tongue.”

**1 Corinthians 14 –
“*unknown*” (KJV)**

1 Corinthians 14

- **Tongues – Greek “glōssa (language or tongue)**
- **Definition - The language or dialect used by a particular people distinct from that of other nations.**

Yanomami

(A New Tongue?)

Verse 2 – What good is it?

Verse 5 – that the church may be edified.

Verses 6 – 19 – meaningless sounds mean nothing.

Verse 9 – “Flapping your lips”

Verse 19 - “...in the church I would rather speak five intelligible words to instruct others than ten thousand words in a tongue.”

Verse 20 – It's time to grow up!

Verse 21 – In the Law it is written..." What Law?

Isaiah 28:11

**“I speak to this
people...” What people?**

Jews

Verse 22 – “Tongues are for a sign” – For who?

Jews

“Not to them that believe, but to them that believe not.”

Unbelievers

**“...but prophesying serves
not for them that believe
not, but for them which
believe.”**

Jews require a sign

1 Corinthians 1:22

Verse 23 – “The whole church...” the local assembly.

Not a private thing.

Verse 27 – Two or three & one interpret

**Verse 28 – If not
interpreter, keep quiet...**

**Verse 40 – “Let all things
be done decently and in
order.”**

Interpretation

**1 Corinthians 12:10 and
chapter 14**

**No Biblical examples of
this gift.**

Definition – The ability to translate the foreign language spoken by the person exercising the gift of tongues.

Tongues in Acts

2:38 – “Peter said to them...”

Who was them?

Jew from all over the Empire

No mention of tongues

Acts 8:12 –

Philip in Samaria

Verses 15 – 16 – Believers

had not yet received the

Holy Spirit

Verse 17 – No tongues

Acts 10 –

Peter & Cornelius

**Verse 46 – They heard
them speak with tongues.**

**Acts 19:2 – “Have ye
received the Holy Spirit
since ye believed?”**

“We never heard of Him.”

“they spoke with tongues.”

Conclusion

Tongues validated...

**“By one Spirit into one
Body.”** **1 Corinthians 12:13**

**Both Jew & Gentile are
one.** **Ephesians 2:14 – 16**

Pentecost – Jews – No tongues

**Samaritans – Half Jews – No
tongues**

Cornelius – Gentile – Tongues

**Ephesus – Mixed group
Tongues**

Why we don't know our Gift.

- 1. We don't know the gifts.**
- 2. Lack of maturity.**

How to know my gift

1. Walk in the Spirit.
2. Know what they are.
3. How does God use my life?
4. What would I most miss?

5. What do I enjoy doing?

6. What do others say?

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