

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

(Adapted from Pastor Drew's sermon on 1/15/23)

1 Cor. 12:1, 4-11

¹Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

1 Cor. 2:14

¹⁴Those who are unspiritual do not receive the gifts of God's Spirit, for they are foolishness to them, and they are unable to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.

Ephesians 4:7

⁷But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift.

1 Corinthians 12:11

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Romans 11:29

²⁹ for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

John 15:8

⁸ My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

▲ **THEME:** "Align your Gifts for Serving God and others."

▲ DISCUSSION:

As believers, we are to seek the Holy Spirit for the spiritual gifts (Charisma) God wants to give us to build one another up as the body of Christ.

1. All gifts are essential for strengthening and edifying other Christians as we encourage one another to be the church at work. Have you identified your Spiritual Gifts? If so, share your top one or two gifts with the group.
2. Share a story of when God gave you an opportunity to use your spiritual gifts. Discuss how it benefitted, blessed, or made the body of Christ stronger.
3. Although spiritual gifts are given by the Holy Spirit, their use and purpose need to be understood and developed as we grow spiritually. **Read 1 Cor. 12:1, 4-11.** According to Paul (who wrote 1 Corinthians), who or what "Activates" our Spiritual Gifts? Why might this be important?
4. Paul says, "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed." Take some time as a group to discover and become more informed. This is in no way an exhaustive exercise, but it's a good start:

A few Scriptures on Spiritual Gifts:

- 1 Cor. 2:14 – Only _____ have spiritual gifts
 - Eph. 4:1-7 – You can't _____ a spiritual gift (vs 7)
 - 1 Cor. 12:11 – The _____ decides what gifts I get
 - Rom. 11:29 – I cannot _____ the gifts God gave me
 - John 15:8 – Using my gifts _____ God and _____ me
5. The four major lists of gifts are found in Romans 12:3-8, 1 Cor. 12:1-11, 27-31, Eph. 4:11-12, and 1 Peter 4:9-11. Take some time and review these passages as a group. What gifts stand out to you and why?

▲ SUPER SET

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