

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

1 Cor. 12:8-11

...for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit,

Word of wisdom is the God given ability to apply the Word of God to the Body of Christ for direction and guidance.

to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit,

Word of knowledge is the God given revelation of information we could not know naturally. It is knowledge concerning specific situations, events, or persons – supernatural insight and information.

to another faith by the same Spirit,

Faith is the God given ability to believe God for unique circumstances, to have extraordinary confidence in the will and purpose of God.

to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit,

Healings are the God given ability to heal those sick that need their health restored either spiritually, mentally, emotionally or physically.
to another the working of miracles,

Miracles are the God given workings of the Holy Spirit in ways that are outside of God's natural laws. A miracle is something that is divinely simple and humanly impossible.

to another prophecy,

Prophecy is the God given ability to speak words under the direction and guidance of the Holy Spirit – that is being a channel bringing forth the truth of God through either:

- A. foretelling – verbalizing those events that have not taken place yet
- B. forth telling – Speaking forth the word of God. (1 Corinthians 14:3)

to another discerning of spirits,

Discerning of spirits is the God given ability to understand, to judge, to see, or to know the spirit behind a particular spiritual activity or behavior knowing whether the source is from God's Holy Spirit or not – the idea is 'seeing through'.

to another different kinds of tongues,

Tongues is the God given ability to speak in a language or a dialect (unknown to the speaker) that is known or has ceased to exist but was once spoken – or it may be an 'angelic' language. (1 Cor. 13.1)

- Tongues are for prayer, praise TO God.

to another the interpretation of tongues.

Interpretation of tongues is the God given ability to interpret the tongue that was just spoken.

Romans 12:6-8

Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; 7 or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; 8 he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Ministering or serving is the God given ability to see needs and to quietly respond to them by using the resources God has provided.

Teaching is the God given ability to give clarity to the word of God and present it in a way that gives practical application of the word.

Exhortation is the God given ability to encourage and urge others to put into action the things one should be doing.

Giving is the God given ability to enable one to share their finances and/or their material resources with liberality and cheerfulness.

Leads is the God given ability for an individual to lead, direct, oversee, and govern others.

Mercy is the God given ability to reach out to others in compassion and tenderness and is exercised cheerfully in a way that reflects the love of Jesus.

1 Corinthians 12:28

And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues.

Helps is the God given ability to see specific needs and to meet them quietly and diligently without the need for public recognition.

Administrations is the God given ability to organize people, events or circumstances as needed, with the heart of a servant leader, doing so diligently and without the need for recognition.

...And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. For God is not the author of confusion but of peace...

1 Corinthians 14:32b-33a



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