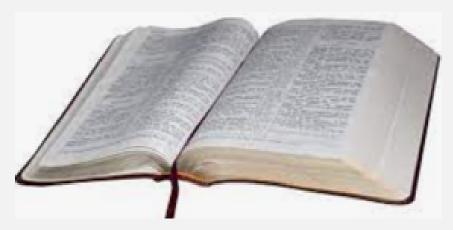
BIBLICAL STUDIES



GIFT'S OF THE SPIRIT







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Gifts of the Spirit

Chapter 1

"Gifts of the Spirit defined"

The Greek word most frequently used for spiritual gifts is *charismata*, a word that relates to the grace (*charis*) of God.

Do not be ignorant concerning spiritual gifts.1Cor. 12:1,2

- Paul tells the church to not be ignorant of three things. (1) God's plan for Israel (Romans 11:25) (2) Spiritual gifts (3) Second coming of Christ and eternal state(1 Thess. 4:13)
- Ignorant = Not to know, Or understand, to err or sin or be wrong.
- Spiritual gifts= Endowments of divine grace the Holy Spirit operates through a believer.
- You were led astray by false teaching in the past which caused you to follow idols. I believe this is a warning how past teachings and viewpoints by others can influence us.

There is diversity of gifts, varieties of administrations, operations, but the same God. (1 Cor. 12:4 - 6)

- Variety of spiritual endowments distributed by the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor.12:11)
- Gifts are administered differently based upon the individuals Office and calling
- Different operations but the same Holy Spirit.

Manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. (1 Cor. 12:7)

• Though all the gifts flow from God, the "manifestation" of the gift varies in each individual with the goal profit the whole body.

We are to covet the gifts in Love. (1 Cor.12: 31 & 13: 1-8)

Holy Spirit has baptized all believers into the body of Christ and all drink from the same water, that there should not be any strife or division in the body. (1 Cor. 12:13 & 25)

There are Nine Temporal Gifts of the Spirit. 1 Corinthians 12: 8 - 10

 God Speaking to the Church

Tongues & Interpretation, Prophesy

- God Revealing Himself to the believer
 Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, Discerning of spirits
- God Manifesting His Power
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"Prayer Language VS. Gifts of Tongues"

Speaking in Tongues is the evidence of being baptized in the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:4 / Acts 10: 45, 46 / Acts 19:6

• Acts 2:4," Spirit gave them utterance / Acts 10:46," Knew they received the Baptism because they heard them speak in tongues / Acts 19:6 They received baptism when Paul laid hands on them as they spoke in Tongues.

Speaking in a known Tongue you have not learned. Acts 2: 7 - 11

• They spoke in the Language of other nations, yet they had never studied that tongue.

When you are baptized in the Holy Spirit you receive your Prayer language. 1 Corinthians 14: 2 / Romans 8: 26, 27

- Speak unto God not unto man, Spirit speaks mysteries.
- Spirit of God is making intercession for us according to God's will.

Prayer Language and Singing in the Spirit during Worship Service.

- Prayer Language edifies (builds up) the believer only. 1 Cor. 14:4
- Speaking in tongues and singing in the Spirit during worship is giving God
 Thanks and Praise for who He is. 1 Cor. 14: 14 16

Gift of Tongues (Message in Tongues) is to be Interpreted 1 Cor. 14: 13 / 1 Cor. 12:10 – 11

- Gift of Tongue is not our prayer language.
- Gift of Tongue is God wanting to speak to the Church
- Gift of Tongue needs to be interpreted

Gift of Tongues and Interpretation is the same as prophecy 1 Cor. 14:5

Gift of Prophecy is speaking to the church in their language 1 Cor.14:22

Gift of Prophecy exhorts, edifies, and comforts the church 1 Cor. 14: 3

• Different from giving prophesies to individuals. Acts 21:9

Order of Operation: 1 Cor. 14:40

- Maximum of three prophecies in a service. 1 Cor. 14: 26, 27, 29
- If God reveals to another an interpretation or Prophecy, They stand up and the person speaking is to sit down 1 Cor. 14: 30
- Gifts of Prophecy are to be judged by Five-Fold ministers in the church 1 Cor. 14:29
- No interpreter keep silent for the spirits are subject to the prophets
 1 Cor. 14:28, 32

Churches where the prophetic gifts are not used are missing Gods supernatural edifying, exhortation & comforting.

 Paul said to covet prophecy= To Desire or zealously seek after 1 Cor. 14: 39

"Word of Wisdom & Word of Knowledge"

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Word of Knowledge

Word of Knowledge is Supernatural revelation to a believer of certain facts about people, places or things in the Past or Present.

It is not natural knowledge as all of the gifts are supernatural. You cannot have one gift natural and the others supernatural, they are all supernatural or all natural. It is not extra knowledge through reading the scripture as Paul told Timothy to Study the Word to be a workman that is not ashamed.

Jesus operated in the Gift of Knowledge

- Nathanael- John 1: 47, 48
- Woman at the well John 4: 16 19

Examples in the New Testament

- Peter with Ananias & Sapphira Acts 5: 1 3
- Peter, Three men seek thee Acts 10: 19, 20

Operate in a Vision

- Ananias with Saul Acts 9: 10 12
- Cornelius Acts 10: 5, 6

Old Testament

- Samuel with Saul 1 Samuel 9: 15 20
- Elijah 1 Kings 19:18

Word of Wisdom

The Greek word for wisdom is "sophia" and it refers to the intimate understanding of God's Word and His Will. The Word of Wisdom is the Holy Spirit supernaturally revealing a part of God's future plan or purposes to an individual or a specific situation 1 Corinthians 13: 9, 10

It is not having special wisdom on the affairs of Life which you gain through studying the Word (Joshua 1:8) and James said God will give you wisdom generously by asking.

(James 1:5)

Jesus operated in the Gift of Word of Wisdom

Peter – Matthew 26:32 – 34

New Testament Examples

- Philip & the Eunuch Acts 8: 26 29
- Agabus with Paul's Girdle Acts 21:10, 11 (Often confirms previous Words of Wisdom)

Conditional Examples of Word of Wisdom

- Jonah –Jonah 3:4 & 10
- Hezekiah & Isaiah 2 Kings 20: 1 6

Operates with Gift of Knowledge

- Ananias with Saul Acts 9: 15 16 (10 12)
- John & the Seven churches –Revelation 3: 1 5

"Discerning of Spirits"

"God revealing Himself to the believer."

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What the Discerning of Spirits Is Not:

- Actually, there is no such thing mentioned in the Bible as the gift of discernment. It is the discerning of spirits. Many times what people call the gift of discernment is really the gift of the word of knowledge in operation.
- Discerning of spirits is not a kind of spiritual mind reading. And the discerning of spirits is not psychological insight, nor is it mental "penetration." It is not the power to discern the faults of others.

Discerning Angels:

- Elisha prayed for God to open the eyes (open the spiritual faculties) of his servant so he could discern the warrior angels that were protecting them.
 Kings 6:16, 17
- Peter and the angel in prison. Acts 12:6 11
- Paul and the angel of the Lord on the ship. Acts 27:22-23
- Entertain angels unawares. Hebrews 13:2

Discerning Demonic Spirits:

- Woman with Spirit of Divination. Acts 16: 16 − 18
- Spirit of infirmity. Luke 13:11-13
- Get thee behind me Satan. Matthew 16:22
- Child of the devil. Acts 13:10-12

Discerning Human Spirits:

- Simon with Gall of Bitterness (A bitter root producing bitter fruit, extreme wickedness) Acts 8:22-24
- Lust of their own heart. Romans 1:24 /Gal 5:16, 17
- What spirit ye are of Luke 9: 53, 54

"Discerning of Spirits"

(Continued)

Ministering Spirits to heirs of salvation (Heb. 1:14)

20 years ago I was ministering during a conference, and I saw an angel behind a man. I asked the Holy Spirit why? HE said I am ministering to him and spoke Hebrews 1:14 to me and said, I want you to tell him you see an angel behind him and call him up for prayer. I had no idea what to pray for, once he stood before me the Word of Knowledge and Wisdom began to operate and I prophesied over him for 20 minutes

Demonic Spirits (Matthew 8:16)

The name of the spirit is the characteristic of the spirit

- Spirit of Divination. Acts 16: 16
- Spirit of infirmity. Luke 13:11
- Legion = roman regiment. Mark 5:9
- Mute & deaf spirit. Mark 9:25

Human Spirit

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"Gift of Faith"

Every believer has faith. Ephesians 2:8 / 1 Corinthians 13:13

- A small amount of faith like a mustard seed will move mountains.
 Matthew 17:20
- Jesus is the author and finisher of our faith. Hebrews 12:2
- Faith comes by hearing the word of God. Romans 10:17
- Praying in the Holy Ghost builds up Holy Faith. JUDE: 20

"Gift" is defined as a spiritual endowment, or a gift of Divine grace

"Faith" is defined as assurance and trust

"Gift of Faith" is a special gifting or endowment to a believer of extra ordinary trust in God's promise, power or presence concerning a particular situation or need. Gift of faith will operate with Gift of Healings and Gift of Miracles a lot of times.

GIFT of Faith is like an extra gear in a vehicle. When you are driving up a mountain and the vehicle is slowing down and it looks like you are not going to reach the top, the vehicle goes into another gear and climbs to the top.

In other words, when you have reached the limit of your Faith, the Gift of Faith begins to operate through you and your prayer is answered

Examples of Gift of Faith:

- Peter with the Lame man. Acts 3: 1 8
- The lame man at Lystra. Acts 14:8-10
- Peter and Aeneas. Acts 9:33, 34
- Peter raises Tabitha. Acts 9:36, 41

The believers had faith they sent for Peter to raise Tabitha

- Peter prayed first. (Sometimes you have to seek the gift)
- Then He commanded her to raise

Examples of Gift of Faith (CONTINUED)

• Paul prays blindness on Elymas. Acts 13:7 - 11

Our Examples:

TV Program

I had a vision that we were to go on our local TV channel. I called the TV station and spoke with the program manager and he was not very receptive because other Evangelists had left owing large bills after I told him God said I was to be on the air and HE would pay the bill. All at once I felt a boost of Faith and boldness come upon me. I even told him what time we were to be on, and he paused for a couple of minutes and said, that is the only time I have available. He agreed to give us a chance and we were on for five years Every month someone would give me a check to pay for the broadcast time.

People That Love Center

God had put on Jackie's heart to start a People That Love Center. A Food pantry and clothing outlet. We had no money to start it, but Jackie knew it was God and when I was leaving for work she told me I will have a building when you come home. When I came home she had a building and groceries to start. A Month later someone bought out a Grocery store that was closing, Food and the shelves.

"Gift of Miracles & Gift of Healings"

A miracle can be defined as a supernatural intervention by God in the ordinary course of nature.

Examples:

- Turn Water into wine = John 2: 7 11
- Feeding the Five Thousand = John 6:5-14
- Raising Lazarus = John 11: 40 44
- Calming the storm = Mark 4: 37 39
- Ananias and Sapphira (Judgment) = Acts 5:1-10
- Casting out Devils = Acts 8: 6 8

Gift of Healing is the supernatural power of God that makes someone free from ailment, healthy & whole

- Jesus healed all manner of Sickness = Matthew 10:8
- Disciples Anointed with Oil and many were healed= Mark 6: 13
- Paul laid hands on Publius Father = Acts 28: 8
- Jesus spits on a blind man's eyes and prayed twice = Mark 8: 22 25

A lot of times the gift of Faith operates together with Gifts of Healings & Gifts of Miracles

Smith Wigglesworth said that if you will take a step of ordinary faith, when you come to the end of that faith, very often this supernatural gift of faith will take over

Smith Wigglesworth operating in Gift of Faith, and Miracles

I just passed Mrs. Mitchell and went into the room, and immediately I saw that Mitchell had gone. I could not understand it, but I began to pray. My wife was always afraid that I would go too far, and she laid hold of me and said, "Don't, Dad! Don't you see that he is dead?" But I continued praying. I got as far as I could with my own faith, and then God laid hold of me. Oh, it was such a laying hold that I could believe for anything. The faith of the Lord Jesus laid hold of me, and a solid peace came into my heart. I shouted, "He lives! He lives! He lives!" And he is living today.

God has set in the Church Miracles fourth & Gifts of healings Fifth. 1 Corinthians 12: 28

God has set in His Body Miracles and Gifts of Healings along with Five-Fold ministry gifts

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Paul wrote in 1 Cor.12:28 God has set in the Church Miracles and healings under the Fivefold gifting's.

The Best Gift is the one you need at that time