

WEEK 5 GIFTED: SERVING AND RESULTS

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Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: ² You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. ³ Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. ⁴ There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵ There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶ And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. ⁷ But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all:

1 Corinthians 12:1-7 (NKJV)

DIFFERENT KINDS OF GIFTS, BUT THE SAME SPIRIT—GIFTED

DIFFERENT KINDS OF SERVICE, BUT THE SAME SPIRIT—PLACE OF SERVICE

DIFFERENT KINDS OF WORK, BUT THE SAME SPIRIT—GOD IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RESULT

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

Ephesians 4:7 (NKJV)

But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all.

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NKJV)

EVERY BELIEVER IS GIVEN A SPIRITUAL GIFT TO BE USED IN AND THROUGH THE CHURCH

But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased.

1 Corinthians 12:18 (NKJV)

Six places in the New Testament where gifts are listed to some degree—

1 Corinthians 12, Romans 12:4-8, Ephesians 4:11-16, 1 Timothy 4:14, 2 Timothy 1:6 and 1 Peter 4:10-11

THE SPIRITUAL GIFT OF ADMINISTRATION

The gift of administration is the special attribute given by God's Spirit to the members of the Body of Christ to steer God's people into effective channels of service by understanding the resources needed to accomplish goals and plans. (Jay McSwain, "Finding Your PLACE in Life and Ministry")

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.

1 Corinthians 12:28 (NKJV)

THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR STEERING A SHIP TO ITS DESTINATION

SEES THE DIRECTION AND PROVIDES THE WAY TO GET THERE

ORGANIZE, CALENDAR, ASSIGN TASKS

KEEPS THE GROUP MOVING TO ITS DESTINATION

THE SPIRITUAL GIFT OF DISCERNMENT

The gift of discernment is the special attribute given to certain members of the Body of Christ to know with confidence if individuals, teachings, or motives are from God. (Jay McSwain, "Finding Your PLACE in Life and Ministry")

To another discerning of spirits...

1 Corinthians 12:10 (NKJV)

DISCERN MEANS TO SEPARATE OR DISTINGUISH

DISCERN GENUINENESS

SENSES WHEN THINGS MAY NOT BE IN KEEPING WITH THE TRUTH/SPIRIT

WARNS OF TROUBLE AND UNSEEN INCONSISTENCIES

THE SPIRITUAL GIFT OF EVANGELISM

The gift of evangelism is the special attribute given by God to members of the Body of Christ to share with non-Christians the way a person becomes a Christian and to create in those people a desire to become a Christian. (Jay McSwain, "Finding Your PLACE in Life and Ministry")

And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers.

Ephesians 4:11 (NKJV)

MOTIVATED TO PRESENT THE GOSPEL TO SOMEONE

LOOKS FOR WAYS AND OPPORTUNITIES TO PRESENT THE GOSPEL

THE SPIRITUAL GIFT OF EXHORTATION/ENCOURAGEMENT

The gift of exhortation/encouragement is the spiritual attribute given by God's Spirit to certain members of the Body of Christ to encourage and console the distressed and provide positive and practical steps for others to follow. (Jay McSwain, "Finding Your PLACE in Life and Ministry")

Illustration: Barnabas

After Saul was saved and had his name changed to Paul, the believers in Jerusalem were scared of him...

But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. And he declared to them how he had seen the Lord on the road, and that He had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. **Acts 9:27 (NKJV)**

He who exhorts, in exhortation.

Romans 12:8 (NKJV)

MOTIVATED TO COME ALONGSIDE OF PEOPLE TO HELP THEM SUCCEED

ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO NOT GIVE UP

WANT TO GIVE STEP-BY STEP GUIDANCE TO OTHERS

WANT TO SPUR OTHERS ON

THE SPIRITUAL GIFT OF FAITH

The gift of faith is the special attribute given by God's Spirit to members of the Body of Christ to believe God's promises and act with unwavering confidence in carrying out his will. (Jay McSwain, "Finding Your PLACE in Life and Ministry")

To another faith by the same Spirit.

1 Corinthians 12:9 (NKJV)

EXEMPLIFIED IN HEBREWS 11 Noah, Moses, Abraham

RELENTLESSLY HOLDS ON TO SOMETHING THEY ARE BELIEVEING GOD FOR

BELIEVES GOD AGAINST ALL ODDS FOR A PARTICULAR THING