

# The Gifts of the Spirit

## Living in the Spirit – Part 9

Life Church St. Louis – November 13, 2016

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1 Timothy 2:1-4 (NIV) I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

Acts 1:8 (NIV) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NIV) Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

1 Corinthians 12:8-10 (NIV) To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues.

1 Corinthians 14:1 (NIV) Follow the way of love and eagerly desire spiritual gifts, especially the gift of prophecy.

### 1. Gifts of \_\_\_\_\_

#### 1A. Message of \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 6:10 (NIV) but they could not stand up against his wisdom or the Spirit by whom he spoke.

#### 1B. Message of \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 5:1-3 (NIV) Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. With his wife's full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles' feet. Then Peter said, "Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land?"

#### 1C. Distinguishing between \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 16:16, 18 (NIV) Once when we were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit by which she predicted the future. ... Finally Paul became so troubled that he turned around and said to the spirit,

"In the name of Jesus Christ I command you to come out of her!" At that moment the spirit left her.

### 2. Gifts of \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2A. Gift of \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 17:20 (NIV) He replied, "Because you have so little faith. I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you.

#### 2B. Gifts of \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 14:9-10 (NIV) He listened to Paul as he was speaking. Paul looked directly at him, saw that he had faith to be healed and called out, "Stand up on your feet!" At that, the man jumped up and began to walk.

#### 2C. Gift of \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 19:11-12 (NIV) God did extraordinary miracles through Paul, so that even handkerchiefs and aprons that had touched him were taken to the sick, and their illnesses were cured and the evil spirits left them.

### 3. Gifts of \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3A. Speaking in \_\_\_\_\_

1 Corinthians 14:2 (NIV) For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God. Indeed, no one understands him; he utters mysteries with his spirit.

#### 3B. \_\_\_\_\_ of tongues

1 Corinthians 14:4-5 (NIV) He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. I would like every one of you to speak in tongues, but I would rather have you prophesy. He who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may be edified.

#### 3C. Gift of \_\_\_\_\_

1 Corinthians 14:3 (NIV) But everyone who prophesies speaks to men for their strengthening, encouragement and comfort.

### Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading, prayer & writing.
  - Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat  Sun
- Read 1 Corinthians 12-14 to better understand spiritual gifts.
- Invite your friends, relatives, workmates & neighbors to our Sunday service.

# The Gifts of the Spirit Study Guide

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Intro. How can we pray for our government according to 1 Timothy 2:1-4?

In what ways can the gifts of the Spirit be used in witnessing (Acts 1:8)?

How can the gifts of the Spirit be used for the common good of the church (1 Corinthians 12:7)?

Why did God decide that no one person could operate in all the spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 12:8-10)?

Why does God's Word command believers to eagerly desire spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 14:1)?

1A. Why did Stephen need to use the gift of a message of wisdom (Acts 6:10)?

1B. Why did God give a word of knowledge to Peter about Ananias (Acts 5:1-3)?

1C. Why is it important to be able to distinguish between spirits as Paul did (Acts 16:16-18)?

1D. Why are the gifts of the Spirit usually only demonstrated by Spirit-baptized believers?

1E. Why don't more believers eagerly desire spiritual gifts?

2A. According to Jesus, what can the gift of faith accomplish (Matthew 17:20)?

2B. How did a gift of healing operate in Acts 14:9-10? What other gifts were accompanying the gift of healing in this situation?

2C. How do you think the extraordinary miracles of Paul happened (Acts 19:11-12)?

2D. In what ways is the gift of faith the basis for all the other gifts?

2E. How can a believer figure out what gifts God may use them in?

3A. What is the purpose of the gift of speaking in tongues (1 Corinthians 14:2)?

3B. Why is interpretation of tongues required in a church service (1 Corinthians 14:4-5)?

3C. What is the difference between private tongues (prayer language) and public tongues?

3D. What is prophecy and why is it so important (1 Corinthians 14:1-3)?

3E. What can you do to grow in using spiritual gifts?