

Spiritual Gifts

A. Samples of Spiritual Gifts

| Reference | 1 Cor 12:4-11 | 1 Cor 12:27-30 |
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| Spiritual Gifts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Word of Wisdom; • Word of Knowledge; • Faith; • Healing; • Effecting of Miracles; • Prophecy; • Distinguishing of Spirits; • Tongues; • Interpretation of Tongues; | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apostles; • Prophets; • Teachers; • Miracles; • Healings; • Helps; • Administrations; • Tongues; • Interpretation; |

| Reference | Romans 12:4-8 | Ephesians 4:11 | 1 Peter 4:10-11 |
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| Spiritual Gifts | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prophecy; • Service; • Teaching; • Exhortation; • Giving; • Leading; • Mercy; | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apostles; • Prophets; • Evangelist; • Pastor— Teachers; | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaking; • Serving; |

Context: _____

_____, *NOT* _____.

B. The Source of Spiritual Gifts

⁴ Now there are **varieties** of gifts, but **the same Spirit**.

⁵ And there are **varieties** of ministries, and **the same Lord**.

⁶ There are **varieties** of effects, but **the same God**.

C. The Nature of Spiritual Gifts

| Verse | Greek | Notes |
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| 1 | <i>pneumatikōn</i> | |
| 4 | <i>charisma</i> | |
| 5 | <i>diakonia</i> | |
| 6 | <i>energēma</i> | |
| 7 | <i>phanerosis</i> | |

D. The Distribution of Spiritual Gifts

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| 1 Cor 12:11 | But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one <u>individually</u> just as He wills. |
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| Rom 12:3 | God has allotted to each a measure of faith. |
| Eph 4:7 | But to each one of us grace was given |
| 1 Cor 12:7 | But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit |
| 1 Peter 4:10 | As each one has received a gift, |

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| <i>idios</i> : pertaining/belonging to one's self, one's own, private, personal | |
| <i>idiōtēs</i> : idiots!? | |
| Romans 12:6 | we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, |

E. The Principles of Spiritual Gifts

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| ① _____ trumps _____. | |
| 1 Cor 12:28 | And God has appointed in the church, first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, various kinds of tongues. |
| Ephesians 4:7-8 | ⁷ But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸ Therefore it says, "WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH, HE LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES, AND HE GAVE GIFTS TO MEN." |
| Ephesians 4:11 | And He [Christ] gave some <i>as</i> apostles, and some <i>as</i> prophets, and some <i>as</i> evangelists, and some <i>as</i> pastors and teachers, |
| 1 Cor 12:11 | But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills. |
| 1 Peter 4:10-11 | ¹⁰ As each one has received a <i>special</i> gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. ¹¹ Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. |

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| ② _____ trumps _____. | |
| 1 Cor 12:7 | But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. |
| 1 Cor 14:12 | So also you, since you are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek to abound for the edification of the church. |
| Ephesians 4:11-12 | ¹¹ And He gave some <i>as</i> apostles, and some <i>as</i> prophets, and some <i>as</i> evangelists, and some <i>as</i> pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; |
| ③ _____ trumps _____. | |
| 2 Peter 1:16-18 | ¹⁶ For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. ¹⁷ For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"— ¹⁸ and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain. |
| 2 Peter 1:19 | And we have the more certain prophetic word. [BLB] |
| 2 Peter 1:2-3 | ² Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; ³ seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. |
| Jude 3 | you contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all handed down to the saints. |
| 2 Tim 3:16-17 | ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the man of God may be equipped, having been thoroughly equipped for every good work. [LSB] |

F. The Gift of Healing (in the Church)

(1) The Nature of Healing

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(2) The Purpose of Healing

Peter

| References | Examples | Results |
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| Acts 3:1-4:4 | Healed a man who had been lame from his mother's womb | Five thousand men believed (4:4) |
| Acts 5:12-16 | People were healed by the apostles (including Peter) | More believers in the Lord (5:14) |
| Acts 9:32-35 | Healed Aeneas who had been bedridden eight years | Those at Lydda and Sharon turned to the Lord (9:35) |
| Acts 9:36-43 | Raised Tabitha (Dorcas) from the dead | Many believed in the Lord (9:42) |

Paul

| References | Examples |
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| Acts 14:8-10 | Paul healed a man at Lystra with words. |
| Acts 19:11-12 | Diseases were healed by handkerchiefs or aprons touched by Paul. |
| Acts 20:9-12 | Paul raised Eutychus from the dead after he fell down from the third floor. |
| Acts 28:8-9 | Paul healed the father of Publius and the rest of the people on the island Malta. |

| References | Examples |
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| Galatian 4:13 | Paul didn't heal himself |
| Philippians 2:27 | Paul did not heal Epaphroditus |
| 1 Timothy 5:23 | Paul prescribed wine for Timothy's stomach ailment |
| 2 Timothy 4:20 | Paul left Trophimus sick at Miletus |

(3) Is Healing for Today?

James 5:13-18

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| Case 1 | ¹³ Is anyone among you suffering? <i>Then</i> he must pray. |
| Case 2 | Is anyone cheerful? He is to sing praises. |
| Case 3 | ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? <i>Then</i> he must call for the elders of the church and they are to pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; ¹⁵ and the prayer offered in faith will restore the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up, and if he has committed sins, they will be forgiven him. ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. |
| Example | The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the earth for three years and six months. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and the sky poured rain and the earth produced its fruit. |

G. Important Questions about Spiritual Gifts

| ① Does every believer have a spiritual gift? | |
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| 1 Peter 4:10 | As each one has received a gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. |
| ② Does each of us have one spiritual gift? | |
| 1 Timothy 4:13-14 | ¹³ Until I come, give attention to the <i>public</i> reading of <i>Scripture</i> , to exhortation and teaching. ¹⁴ Do not neglect the spiritual gift within you |
| 2 Timothy 4:5 | But you, be sober in all things, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry. |

③ How to identify your spiritual gift?

④ Do miraculous gifts exist today?

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| | God made a covenant with Israel. A kingdom of priests was established. |
| | Warning against apostasy. Kingdom fell into captivity. |
| | The King was here, and the Kingdom was offered. But it was rejected. |
| | Kingdom program extended to Gentiles. Jews and Gentile are on equal footing in the present age. |
| | Second Coming of Christ. Millennial Kingdom on earth. |

Parallel between the First and the Second coming

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| Closing of OT canon ↓ 400 years silence ↓ Prophecies and Miracles restored at First Coming | Closing of NT canon ↓ ceasing of prophetic gifts ↓ Prophecies and Miracles restored at Second Coming |
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CAN Holy Spirit still give sign gifts today?

- Doesn't ≠ Can't
- Can ≠ Will
- Power ≠ Purpose

Richard Mayhue,

“The Scriptures teach that miracles, **through human agents** served a very specific purpose. That purpose focused on authenticating the prophets and apostles of God, as certified messengers, with a sure word from heaven. When the canon of Scripture closed with John’s revelation, there no longer existed a divine reason for performing miracles through man. Therefore, such kinds of miracles ceased according to the Scriptures.”