

The Gifts of the Spirit

Overview: We can walk in power to witness (Acts 1:8) to tell others about our faith and demonstrate the Kingdom of God (John 3:5; 1 Cor 4:20) when the Holy Spirit uses us to flow in the nine Gifts of the Spirit. (1 Cor 12:1-13).

A. How we should operate in the Gifts of the Spirit is as He wills, not as we will. 1 Cor 12:11

B. The Three Utterance Gifts (Say)

- 1) Prophecy – To utter forth, to declare or speak a divine revelation. 1 Cor 12:10
 - a) A divine foretelling of the future. Isa 53:4,5,12; 1 Peter 2:24; Acts 2:16,17; Acts 21:10-14
 - b) Decree, declaration or forth-telling not by natural means. Gen. 20:7; 1 Cor 14:30,32
 - c) Every believer can prophesy; but not everyone is called to Office of Prophet; and Prophecy is for edification, exhortation and comfort. 1 Cor 14:3,31; 1 Cor 12:28 29; Eph 4:11
 - d) To guide or to confirm what was already revealed to the heart of the person(s) receiving. The Gift of Prophecy may confirm a Word from the Holy Spirit; and may not be a future revelation or information as prophesied by the Office of the Prophet. 1 Cor 14:25
- 2) Diverse Kinds of Tongues - the supernatural (utterance) gift of speaking in another language or unknown tongue without having been learned. 1 Cor 12:10; 1 Cor 14:9; Acts 2:4
 - a) Used as a sign, to unbelievers. 1 Cor 14:21,22; Acts 2:6-11
 - b) Not to be confused with “Different Types of Tongues” referred to in ABC Class Module 16.
- 3) Interpretation of Tongues – a supernatural utterance from the Spirit of God in a known language, spoken as a showing forth or explanation of the Diverse Kinds of Tongues. 1 Cor 14:2,5-6,13,26-28

C. The Three Power Gifts (Do)

- 1) The Gift of Faith – Is a divine increase of normal faith to a higher level beyond human effort; it’s a firm conviction of God’s truth for a specific purpose, time, or place. 1 Cor 12:9; Acts 6:8
- 2) The Working of Miracles – God’s dynamite power that is an intervention in the course of nature and a sign of supernatural authority. 1 Cor 12:10; Gal 3:5; Acts 6:8
 - a) Supernatural dynamic acceleration of normalcy. Matt 8:14-15
 - b) Supernatural dynamic manifestation which humans cannot create. Matt 1:23
- 3) The Gifts of Healing – Saving from disease and its effects by curing and making one whole. 1 Cor 12:9; Matt 4:24

D. The Three Revelation Gifts (Reveal)

- 1) The Word of Knowledge – A divine revelation of a fact that has happened in the past or is currently happening now, not obtained by intellect. 1 Cor 12:8; John 21:5-6; Mark 11:2-7
- 2) The Word of Wisdom – Supreme intelligence revealing accurate divine intervention and supernatural guidance for a future resolution. 1 Cor 12:8; John 21:5-6; Mark 11:2-7
 - a) Oftentimes, the Word of Knowledge reveals a factual situation and the Word of Wisdom reveals the future outcome. These two Gifts paired together function as a prophetic Word.
- 3) The Discerning of Spirits – Divine revelation of discernment, insight, understanding and perception which includes visualization. 1 Cor 12:10
 - a) Of when the Holy Spirit is moving. Acts 8:27-29; Acts 9:1-21; Acts 19:11-12
 - b) Of the activity of demons or angels of God. Acts 16:16-19; Luke 1:11-64
 - c) Of false doctrine (teaching), false prophets, and false statements (lies), or false (ulterior) motives of the heart. Acts 5:1-16

Recommendation: Yield to the Holy Spirit so His Gifts can flow through you to bless others.