

ENJOYING THE PRESENCE

LIFE
IN THE
SPIRIT

AND POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



WEEK FIVE

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THE SPIRIT PART I

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ARE THE GIFTS STILL AVAILABLE TODAY?

“Pursue love and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, especially that you may prophecy.” (1 Corinthians 14:1)

“Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies, but test everything; hold fast what is good.” (1 Thessalonians 5:19-21)

1. REALITY: EVERY BELIEVER IS GIFTED BY THE SPIRIT

1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-10

⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

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⁸ For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

“We may define a spiritual gift as a God-given and, therefore, gracious capacity to serve the Body of Christ. It is a divinely empowered or spiritually energized potential to minister to the Body of Christ by communicating the knowledge, power and love of Jesus.”

SAM STORMS

SIGN-GIFTS

- Word of Wisdom
- Word of Knowledge
- Faith
- Healing
- Miracles
- Prophecy
- Discernment of Spirits
- Tongues
- Interpretation of Tongues

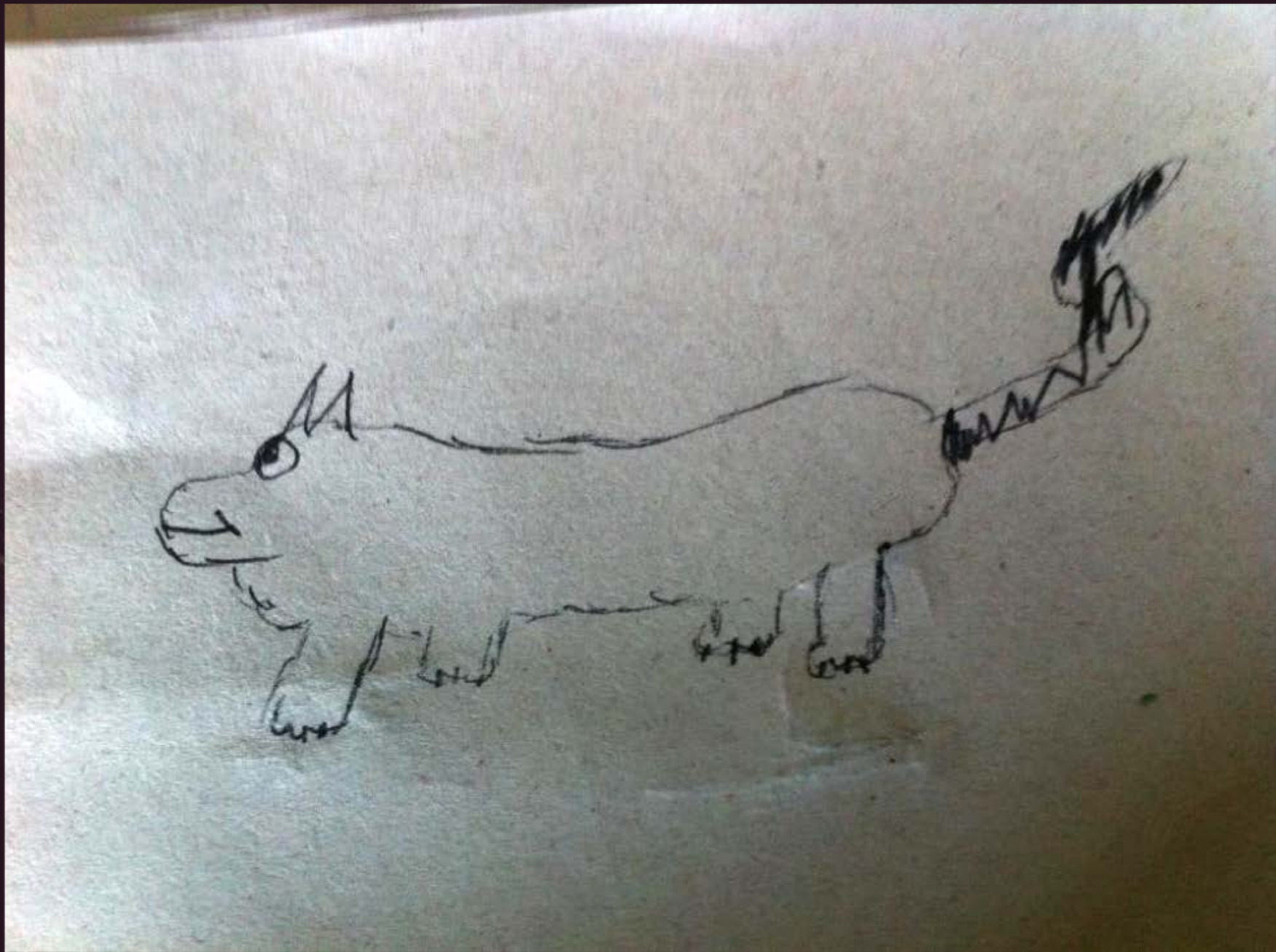
LEADERSHIP & SERVICE GIFTS

- Apostleship
- Teaching
- Evangelism
- Pastor/Shepherd
- Leadership
- Administration
- Encouragement
- Giving
- Mercy
- Serving/Helps
- Marriage
- Singleness/Celibacy

2. SOURCE: THE HOLY SPIRIT'S SOVEREIGNTY

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1 PETER 4:10-11

¹⁰ Just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God. ¹¹ If anyone speaks, let it be as one who speaks God's words; if anyone serves, let it be from the strength God provides, so that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ in everything. To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

"Units have no special use, being detached. They exercise no ministry and can easily be overlooked or left out. Whether they are present or not is no one's concern. They scarcely affect even statistics. But members are otherwise. They cannot be passive in the Body; they dare not merely stand by, looking on. For none are so hurtful as onlookers. Whether or not we take a public part in things is immaterial; we must always be giving life, so that our absence is felt."

WATCHMAN NEE

"We cannot say, "I don't count." We dare not attend meetings merely as passengers while others do the work. We are his Body and members in particular, and it is when all the members fulfill their ministry that the life flows."

WATCHMAN NEE

It is only in a church that we are members of Christ and of one another, moving forward together like a well-coordinated body. It is together that we suffer and thrive. It is together that we worship and grow and serve, according to the Word of God. That's what your church is — ground zero for the kind of community Christ is creating in the world today for the display of his glory. That is a gospel culture."

RAY ORTLUND

3. PURPOSE: FOR BUILDING UP THE CHURCH AND ADVANCING THE GOSPEL

EPHESIANS 4:15-16 ESV

¹⁵ Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.