

God's Building His Church

Open Handed With Your Service

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Key Passages

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Common Questions and Confusion

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- ? Is there a difference between a spiritual gift and a natural ability
- ? What is the difference between a spiritual gift and gifted person

Key Takeaways

- + _____ believer has at least _____ spiritual gift
- + Spiritual gifts are needed to build up the _____ of Christ
- + Spiritual gifts promote _____ and interdependence
- + _____ gift is necessary
- + _____ have been called to serve the body of Christ!

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