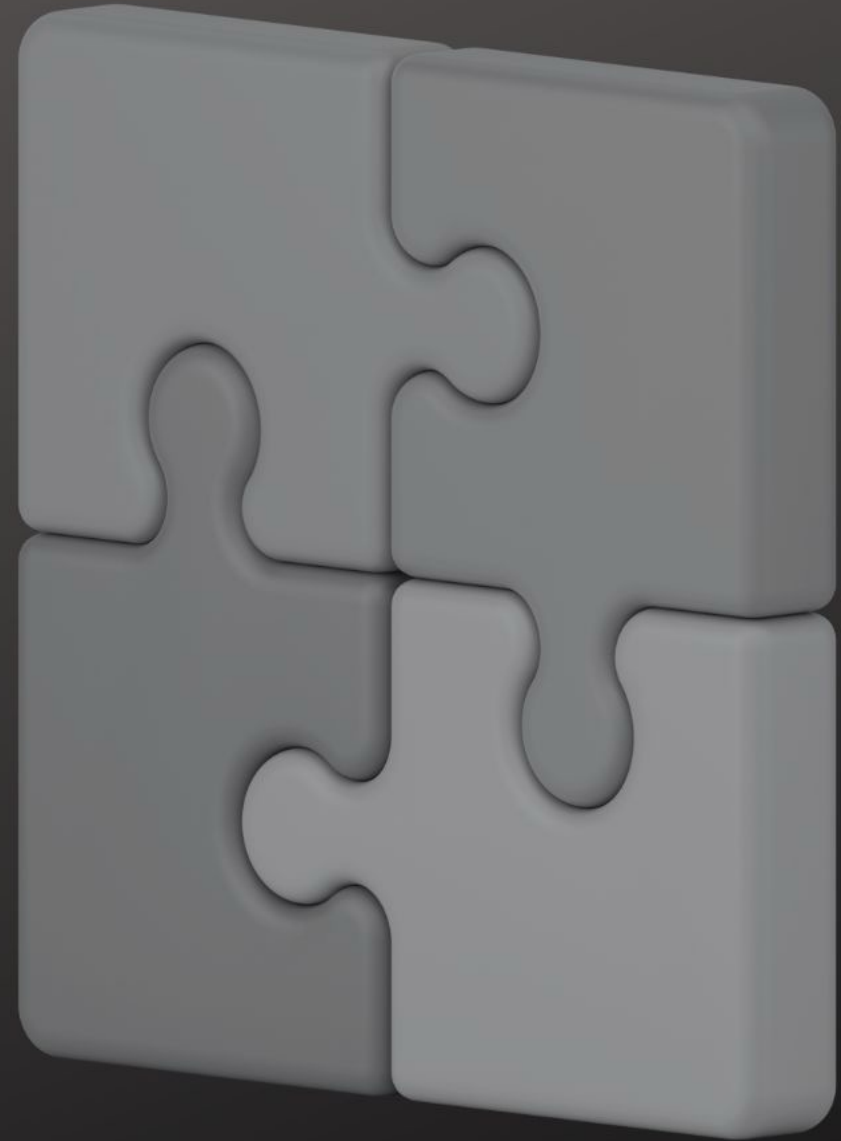


# SPIRITUAL GIFTS

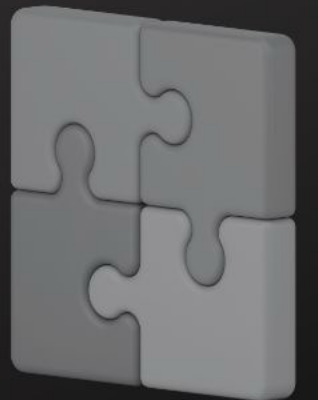
Every Other Thursday Night

6:30 PM

Meet Upstairs in RM 21-22



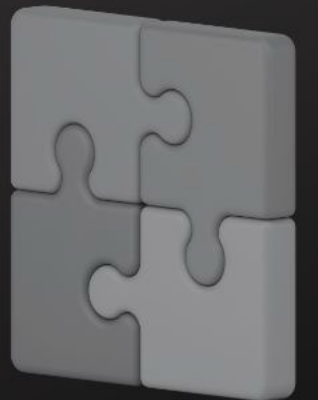
Session 1:  
Discussion  
&  
4 Truths about Spiritual Gifts



Opening Questions:

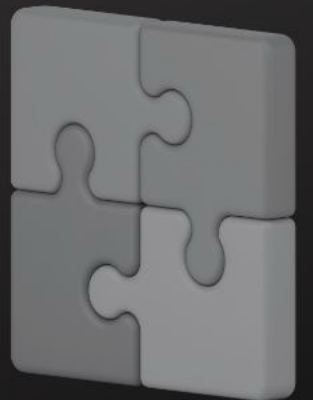
Have you ever studied spiritual gifts?

If you have a church background, are you familiar with its beliefs about spiritual gifts?



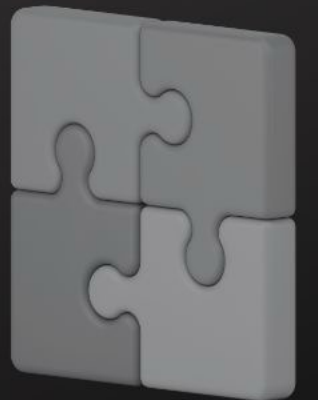
## Opening Discussion:

How might studying spiritual gifts help us understand and pursue the calling God has placed on our lives?



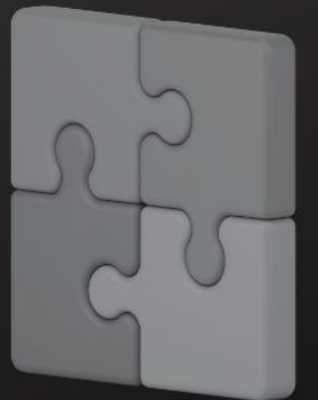
## Opening Discussion:

Have you ever thought about or tried to figure out what your spiritual gift is?



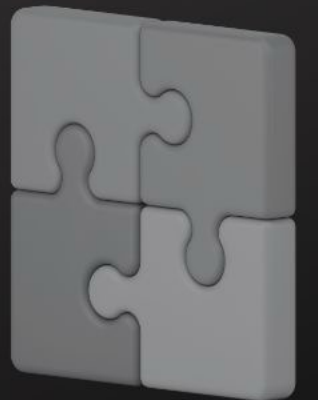
## Opening Discussion:

We often engage in a class or study like in order to learn about ourselves, why might it be helpful to also learn about the gifts God has given to others?

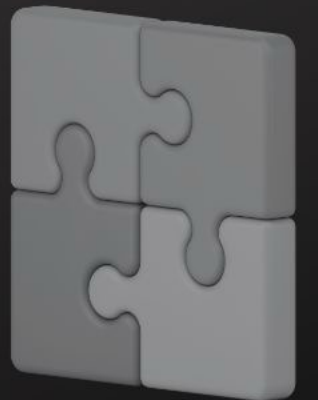


## Opening Discussion:

What unanswered questions do you hope to find answers to before the end of the class?



Why study spiritual gifts?



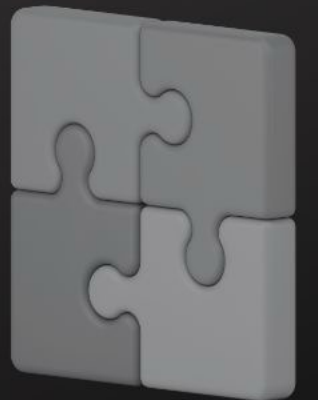


“According to the grace given to us, we have different gifts...

Romans 12:6a, CSB

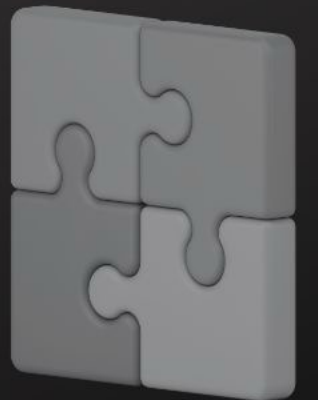
“A manifestation of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good:”

1 Corinthians 12:7, CSB



# Truth 1 - Jesus is the Source of the Gifts

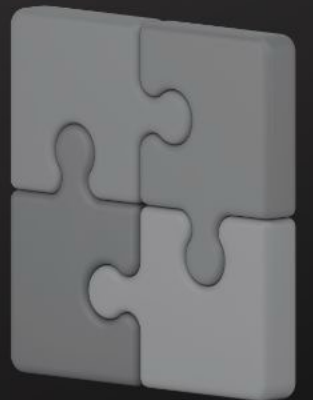
Scripture:  
Ephesians 4:7-8, 12-13,  
Acts 1:8,  
1 Corinthians 12:7



# Question for Discussion:

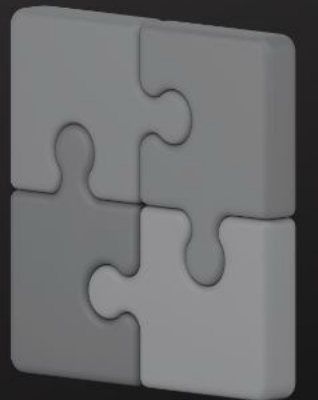
What are ways that we may be tempted to divorce Jesus from the gifts He has given us?

How do our spiritual gifts connect to our mission to build the church and share the gospel?



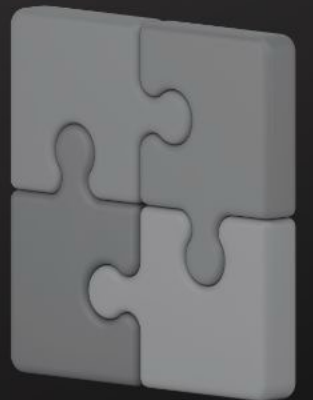
# Truth 2 - The Gifts are Spiritual

Scripture:  
1 Corinthians 12:1-4



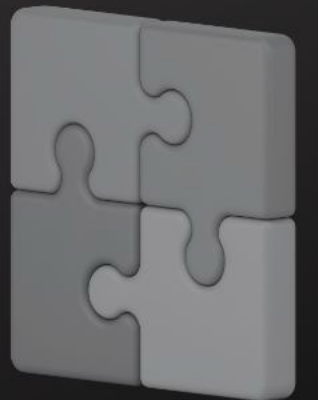
“when the Holy Spirit imparts a divine life in the soul, there is a precious deposit which none of the refinements of education can equal.”

- C.H. Spurgeon -



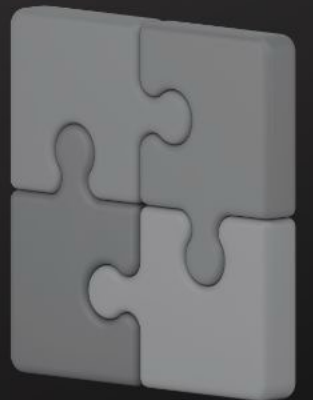
# Definition:

Spiritual gifts are supernatural abilities given to believers to serve the church and build the Kingdom of God through the spread of the Gospel.



Question for Reflection:

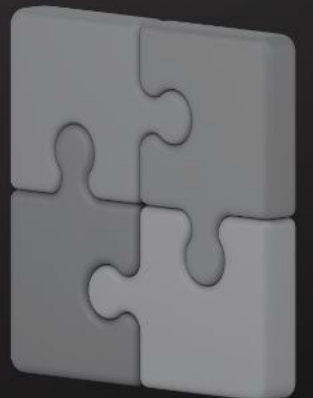
Natural talents and spiritual gifts both come from God, what distinguishes one from the others?



# Truth 3 - The Gifts are received by Grace

Scriptures:

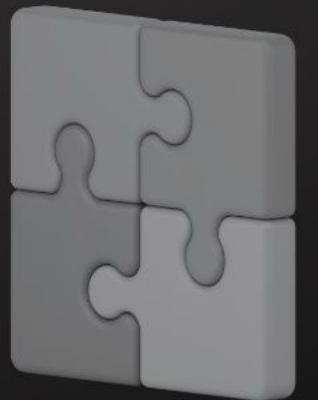
Romans 12:6-8, Ephesians 4:7-8





## Questions for Reflection:

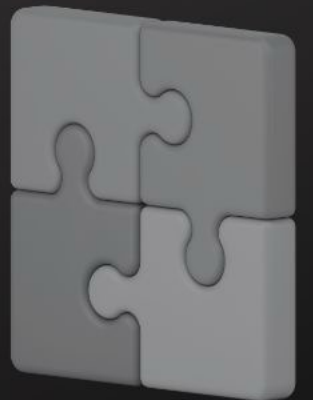
How does grace as a descriptor change the way you think about spiritual gifts?



# Truth 4 - The Gifts are given with purpose

Scriptures:

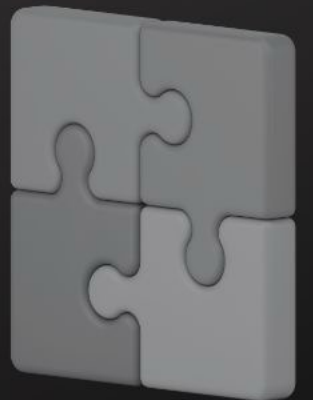
Ephesians 4:11-16, 1 Corinthians 12:7



Question for Reflection:

How might this change the way you see your gift or the gifts of others?

How might VLCC embody this practice?



Romans 12:6-8	1 Corinthians 12:8-10	1 Corinthians 12:28-30	Ephesians 4:11-12	1 Peter 4:10-11
Prophecy	Word of Wisdom	Apostles	Apostles	Speaking
Serving	Word of knowledge	Prophets	Prophets	Serving
Teaching	Faith	Teacher	Evangelists	
Exhortation	Healing	Miracles	Shepherds	
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