

Spiritual Gifts and You

I Peter 4:9-11

The lists of gifts in the Bible is not exhaustive but it shines a light on what the church needs to carry out His mission.

Categorizing the Gifts

Speaking

Serving

Leadership

We have been given a gift and we should desire to unlock that gift and be greatly used by God.

Unlocking Your Spiritual Gift

1. Read
2. Pray
3. Ask
4. See

Find Your Shape

S = Spiritual Gifts - What gifts has God given me to serve others?

H = Heart (passion, desire) - What do I love to do and find meaningful?

A = Abilities - What natural talents and skills do I have?

P = Personality - Where does my personality best suit me to serve?

E = Experiences - What wealth of experiences have I had - pleasant and painful that have equipped me to serve?

It is a humbling honor that God has empowered us to partner with Him to fulfill His mission on the earth.

By Unlocking Your Gift

1. You are glorifying God.
2. You are following Jesus.
3. You are discovering God's will for your life.
4. You are helping the church.
5. You are benefiting your spiritual growth.
6. You will discover the joy of serving.

Takeaways

1. *If Jesus Christ is truly the Lord of our life, then we would desire to exercise our gifts.*
2. *We must never think too highly or too lowly of our gifts.*
3. *Exercising our gifts is a demonstration of love and is rooted in love.*
4. *The gifts given to us are to be used to exalt God, edify and encourage the church, and evangelize the lost.*
5. *While your gifts are for the benefit of others and the church, by exercising it, you are benefiting yourself.*