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Unwrapping
Your Gift

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Gifted

From: The Spirit
To: The Church and World

“ I always thank my God for you and for the gracious gifts he has given you, now that you belong to Christ Jesus. ⁵Through him, God has enriched your church in every way - with all of your eloquent words and all of your knowledge. ⁶This confirms that what I told you about Christ is true. ⁷Now you have every spiritual gift you need as you eagerly wait for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

~ 1 CORINTHIANS 1:4-7 (NLT)

The Speaking Gifts:

The Spirit prompting _____.

“ Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. ¹²Their responsibility is to equip God’s people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.”

~ EPHESIANS 4:11-12 (NLT)

Prophecy – Declaring the _____.

Teaching – Communicating the _____.

Wisdom – Speaking to a _____.

Knowledge – Understanding our world in light of _____.

Encouragement – Strengthen those _____.

Evangelism – Clearly brings _____.

The Serving Gifts:

_____ the Spirit uses to _____.

“ In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. ⁷If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. ⁸If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.”

~ ROMANS 12:6-8 (NLT)

Leadership – Gives _____.

Administration – Organizes, directs, and _____.

Giving – Assisting others with _____.

Mercy – Provides personal and _____.

Pastor/Shepherd – Teaches, protects, and _____ .

Service – Practical _____ .

Hospitality – Welcoming _____ .

Apostleship – Starts new _____ in new _____ .

The Sign Gifts:

_____ the _____ of the Spirit.

“ A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. ⁸ To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. ⁹ The same Spirit gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing. ¹⁰ He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and another the ability to prophesy. He gives someone else the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said.”

~ 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7-10 (NLT)

Faith – unshakable trust in _____ .

Healing – compassion and faith for _____ .

Miracles – sensitivity to, and petitioning of the _____ .

Tongues – uttering of _____ .

Interpretation of Tongues – explaining _____ .

“ Let love be your highest goal! But you should also desire the special abilities the Spirit gives—especially the ability to prophesy. ² For if you have the ability to speak in tongues, you will be talking only to God, since people won't be able to understand you. You will be speaking by the power of the Spirit, but it will all be mysterious.”

~ 1 CORINTHIANS 14:1-2 (NLT)

“ So you see that speaking in tongues is a sign, not for believers, but for unbelievers. Prophecy, however, is for the benefit of believers, not unbelievers. ²³ Even so, if unbelievers or people who don't understand these things come into your church meeting and hear everyone speaking in an unknown language, they will think you are crazy. ²⁴ But if all of you are prophesying, and unbelievers or people who don't understand these things come into your meeting, they will be convicted of sin and judged by what you say.”

~ 1 CORINTHIANS 14:22-24 (NLT)

So WHAT?

“ God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. ¹¹ Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies.”

~ 1 PETER 4:10-11A (NLT)

_____ a different Gift.

_____ your Gift.

