

## The Gifts of The Holy Spirit as They Relate to The Church

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I Peter 4:10 God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.

### 7. More details on the gifts

<https://www.gotquestions.org/spiritual-gifts-list.html>

Prophecy – The Greek word translated “prophecy” in both passages properly means “a \_\_\_\_\_.” To prophesy is to declare the divine will, to interpret the purposes of God, or to make known in any way the truth of God that is designed to influence people.

Serving – Also referred to as “ministering,” the Greek word *diakonian*, from which we get the English “deacon,” means service of any kind, the broad application of \_\_\_\_\_ help to those in need.

Teaching – This gift involves the analysis and proclamation of the Word of God, explaining the meaning, context and \_\_\_\_\_ to the hearer’s life.

Encouraging – Also called “\_\_\_\_\_,” this gift is evident in those who consistently call upon others to heed and follow God’s truth, which may involve correction or building others up by strengthening weak faith or comforting in trials.

Giving – Gifted givers are those who joyfully \_\_\_\_\_ what they have with others, whether it is financial, material, or the giving of personal time and attention.

Leadership – The gifted leader is one who rules, presides over, or has the \_\_\_\_\_ of other people in the church.

Mercy – Closely linked with the gift of encouragement, the gift of mercy is obvious in those who are compassionate toward others who are in distress, showing \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ coupled with a desire and the resources to lessen their suffering in a kind and cheerful manner.

Word of wisdom – The fact that this gift is described as the “word” of wisdom indicates that it is one of the \_\_\_\_\_ gifts.

Word of knowledge – This is another speaking gift that involves \_\_\_\_\_ truth with an insight that only comes by revelation from God. Those with the gift of knowledge understand the deep things of God and the mysteries of His Word.

Faith –The spiritual gift of faith is exhibited by one with a strong and unshakeable \_\_\_\_\_ in God, His Word, His promises, and the power of prayer to effect miracles.

Healing –

[Miraculous powers](#) –

Distinguishing (discerning) of spirits – Certain individuals possess the unique ability to determine the \_\_\_\_\_ of God from that of the deceiver, Satan, whose methods include purveying deceptive and erroneous doctrine. J

Speaking in tongues –

Interpretation of tongues –

Helps – Closely related to the gift of mercy is the gift of helps. Those with the gift of helps are those who can aid or render \_\_\_\_\_ to others in the church with compassion and grace.

9. Do all gifts listed in the NT still exist?

<https://www.gotquestions.org/cessationism.html>

<https://www.gotquestions.org/miraculous-gifts.html>

Cessationists is the view that the “miracle gifts” of tongues and healing have \_\_\_\_\_—that the end of the apostolic age brought about a cessation of the miracles associated with that age.

Continuationism is the belief that all the spiritual gifts, including healings, tongues, and miracles, are still in \_\_\_\_\_ today, just as they were in the days of the early church. A

continuationist believes that the spiritual gifts have "continued" unabated since the Day of Pentecost and that today's church has access to all the spiritual gifts mentioned in the Bible.

### Cessationists arguments

--The Apostle Paul \_\_\_\_\_ that the gift of tongues would cease

[1 Corinthians 13:8](#)

--The apostles, through whom tongues came, were unique in the history of the church.

Once their ministry was accomplished, the need for authenticating

\_\_\_\_\_ ceased to exist.

--The miracle (or sign) gifts are only mentioned in the \_\_\_\_\_ epistles, such as 1 Corinthians.

--The gift of tongues was a sign to unbelieving \_\_\_\_\_ that God's salvation was now available to other nations.

[1 Corinthians 14:21-22](#)

- "Less frequency" arguments

As the \_\_\_\_\_ of the apostles drew to a close, healing, like tongues, became less frequent.

-It is also important to realize that the early church did not have the \_\_\_\_\_ Bible, as we do today. Therefore, the gifts of prophecy, knowledge, wisdom, etc. were necessary in order for the early Christians to know what God would have them do.

<https://www.gotquestions.org/continuationism.html> .

### Continuationism arguments

--*Scripture*

The \_\_\_\_\_ has not happened yet.

I Cor 13:-<sup>10</sup>

Regular people had gifts in the new testament

[Acts 8:6-7](#)

--Terms

The term *sign gifts* is \_\_\_\_\_ used as a separate category pertaining to gifts of the Holy Spirit.

--*Tongues*

Continuationists suggest that part of the confusion over this topic is that there may be \_\_\_\_\_ kinds of "tongues" spoken of in Acts and the letters to the Corinthians.

--*Church History*

Continuationists maintain that the church record says tongues and miracles were present throughout church history

--*Arguments from Silence*

The lack of reference to a subject does not in any way imply that the previous instruction had changed. It may mean that the miraculous gifts were not causing \_\_\_\_\_ in Ephesus as they were at Corinth, and other matters were more worthy of Paul's attention.