

# Spiritual Gifts: What are They?

## 1 Corinthians 12:1-14 – April 26, 2026

- Spiritual Gifts are: distinct abilities empowered by the Holy Spirit and distributed by God's grace to every believer that they might faithfully and effectively strengthen the church, serve others, and advance God's purposes
  - *1 Corinthians 12:1-14, Romans 12:3-8, Ephesians 4:11-13, 1 Peter 4:8-11*
- Spiritual Gifts are not:
  - Natural Talents
  - Acquired Skills
  - Your Personality
  - Spiritual Fruit
  - Spiritual Practices
  - Ministry Offices
- 22 Spiritual Gifts can be grouped into 3 categories:
  - Love Gifts manifest the love of God in practical ways.
    - Administration
    - Celibacy
    - Giving
    - Helps/Hospitality
    - Martyrdom
    - Mercy

- Word Gifts clarify the nature, action, and purposes of God.
  - Apostleship
  - Encouragement/Exhortation
  - Evangelism
  - Leadership
  - Shepherding
  - Teaching
- Power Gifts demonstrate the power, presence, and reality of God.
  - Discerning of Spirits
  - Faith
  - Healing
  - Intercession
  - Interpreting Tongues
  - Miracles
  - Prophecy
  - Speaking in Tongues
  - Words of Knowledge
  - Words of Wisdom
- Spiritual gifts are like a three-legged stool,
  - You can't remove any category.
  - The body is weaker when we try to

- Which of the spiritual gifts do you think the Holy Spirit might have given you? \_\_\_\_\_

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