

Gifts of the Spirit

Today's introduction was taken from "[Understand How the Holy Spirit Works in the Bible](#)" video on the YouTube channel, [@BibleProject](#)

Ruach (pronounced roo-akh) is the Hebrew word for spirit, breath, or wind.

[1 Corinthians 12:4-6](#): One Holy Spirit, (the ultimate gift) – expressed in a variety of ways:

- "Workings:" operating effect (evidence) – energy "*fruit*" ([Gal 5:22-23](#))
- "Ministries:" restoring creation back into its intended relationship with God
- "Gifts:" the *greater things* we believe we can receive when we are filled

THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT [1 Corinthians 12:8-10](#), "For to one is given the **word of wisdom** through the Spirit, and to another the **word of knowledge** according to the same Spirit; to another **faith** by the same Spirit, and to another **gifts of healing** by the one Spirit, and to another the **effecting of miracles**, and to another **prophecy**, and to another the **distinguishing of spirits**, to another **various kinds of tongues**, and to another the **interpretation of tongues**."

[1 Corinthians 12:11](#), "But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills." The distribution moves around among individuals – each time a gift manifests itself it is a timely expression of Holy Spirit endowment!

GIFTS OF UTTERANCE [1 Corinthians 12:8](#), "To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit,"

Word of Wisdom:

- A message of Wisdom will always be "good" according to James 3:17
- Wise counsel pertaining to a decision
- A word of wisdom is the Holy Spirit showing a reconfiguration of what is not seen
- Wisdom releases creativity in situations. James 3:13, "Wisdom is proved right by her actions."
- When someone responds back to you, "I never thought about it that way," You've just given a word of wisdom."

Examples of word of wisdom: [1 Kings 3:16-28](#), [Matthew 21:23-27](#), [22:17-22](#), [Acts 6:3](#)

Wisdom: The ability to make sound judgements and choices that align with God's Word

Knowledge: The understanding of facts and information

Word of Knowledge:

- A word of knowledge will be in accordance with God's truth
- Reveals facts otherwise unknown by the giver
- Brings the truth to light
- Will always be morally "good" and ethically perfect

Examples of word of knowledge: [John 1:47-51](#), [4:15-19](#), [2 Kings 20:1-7](#), [Acts 5:3](#)

GIFTS ARE FOR THE COMMON GOOD

[1 Corinthians 12:7](#), "But to each one is given the *manifestation* of the Spirit for the *common good*."

Manifestation: exhibition or expression from extension of a source or cause

Common Good: "union together" Each one, everybody is included! (This means you!)

A-B-C Pattern for Receiving:

Ask: We admit that we cannot do life by our own power or strength

Believe: The Father desires to give us good gifts!

Comply (obey): Listen AND Do.