



# FUNDAMENTALS OF THE FAITH

Lesson 10 – Spiritual Gifts

# This Week...

## Spiritual Gifts

### I. Objectives

- I. Understand their nature and purpose
- II. Dismiss some misconceptions
- III. Be encouraged to use them



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# Memory Verse

**1 Corinthians 12:7**– But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

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- **1 Peter 4:10** – As each one has received a special gift,
- **1 Corinthians 12:7,11** – But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good . . . one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills.

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## II. The purpose of spiritual gifts

- **For the common good of the church**
  - **1 Corinthians 12:7** – But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.
  - **1 Peter 4:10-11** – As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.



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- For the edification of the church
  - **1 Corinthians 14:12** – ...since you are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek to abound for the edification of the church.

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- Ultimately for God's glory (1 Peter 4:11)
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## II. The Provision of Spiritual Gifts

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- Romans 12:6-8 gives 7
- 1 Corinthians 12:8-10 gives 9
- 1 Corinthians 12:28 gives 5

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### II. Categories of spiritual gifts

#### 1. Permanent gifts

- Evangelist (Eph 4:11)
- Exhorting (Rom 12:8)
- Faith (1 Cor 12:9; 13:2)
- Giving (Rom 12:8; 1 Cor 12:28)
- Helping / Serving (Rom 12:7; 1 Cor 12:28)
- Leading / Administrating (Rom 12:8; 1 Cor 12:28)
- Mercy (Rom 12:8)
- Prophecy/Preaching (Rom 12:6)
- Shepherd/Teacher (Eph 4:11)
- Spiritual Discernment (1 Cor 12:10)

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**II. Categories of spiritual gifts**

**1. Permanent gifts**

**2. Temporary gifts**

- Miracles
- Healing
- Tongues and the interpretation of tongues

## II. The Provision of Spiritual Gifts

### I. Healing and Miracles

#### 1. Purpose

- To confirm the gospel message
  - **Hebrews 2:3-4** – How will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? After it was at the first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard, God also testifying with them, both by signs and wonders and by various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit according to His own will.

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- To confirm the apostles
  - **Acts 5:12** – At the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were taking place among the people; and they were all with one accord in Solomon's portico.
  - **2 Corinthians 12:12** – The signs of a true apostle were performed among you with all perseverance, by signs and wonders and miracles.
  - **Romans 15:18-19** – For I will not presume to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me, resulting in the obedience of the Gentiles by word and deed, in the power of signs and wonders, in the power of the Spirit; so that from Jerusalem and round about as far as Illyricum I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.



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#### 1. Purpose

- To confirm the gospel message (Hebrews 2:3-4)
- To confirm the apostles (Acts 5:12; 2 Cor. 12:12; Rom. 15:18-19)
- Their discontinuation
  - No longer needed
  - The passing of the apostles

## II. The Provision of Spiritual Gifts

### I. Healing and Miracles

### II. Tongues and the interpretation of tongues

1. Tongues involved the proclamation of God's word in known languages unknown to the speaker (Acts 2:4-11)
  - Their purpose
    - A sign to unbelieving Jews (1 Corinthians 14:21-22)
    - Attested to the salvation of the Gentiles and new people groups (Acts 10:47; 11:15-18; 19:1-7)
    - For prophetic utterance (1 Corinthians 14:26-28)
  - Their discontinuation
    - The attestation to Gentile inclusion no longer needed
    - The sufficiency of Scripture precludes need for new prophecy

# III. The Exercise of Spiritual Gifts

- I. Be involved in ministry
- II. Find your giftedness
- III. Minister your gift in love

## IV. Application

- Every Christian has been uniquely gifted by God for ministry
- We received our giftedness at salvation
- Our giftedness is a blend of various spiritual gifts
- We are exhorted to employ our gifts in serving others for the purpose of building up the body of Christ
- Our gifts are useless if not exercised in love
- If we do not exercise our giftedness, the growth of the church will be hindered

## IV. Application

- Common Gifts for All Believers:
  - Faith (2 Co. 5:7)
  - Wisdom (James 1:5)
  - Knowledge (2 Tim. 2:15)
  - Exhortation (Hebrews 10:25)
  - Giving (2 Co. 9:7)
  - Helps (1 Co. 12:25)



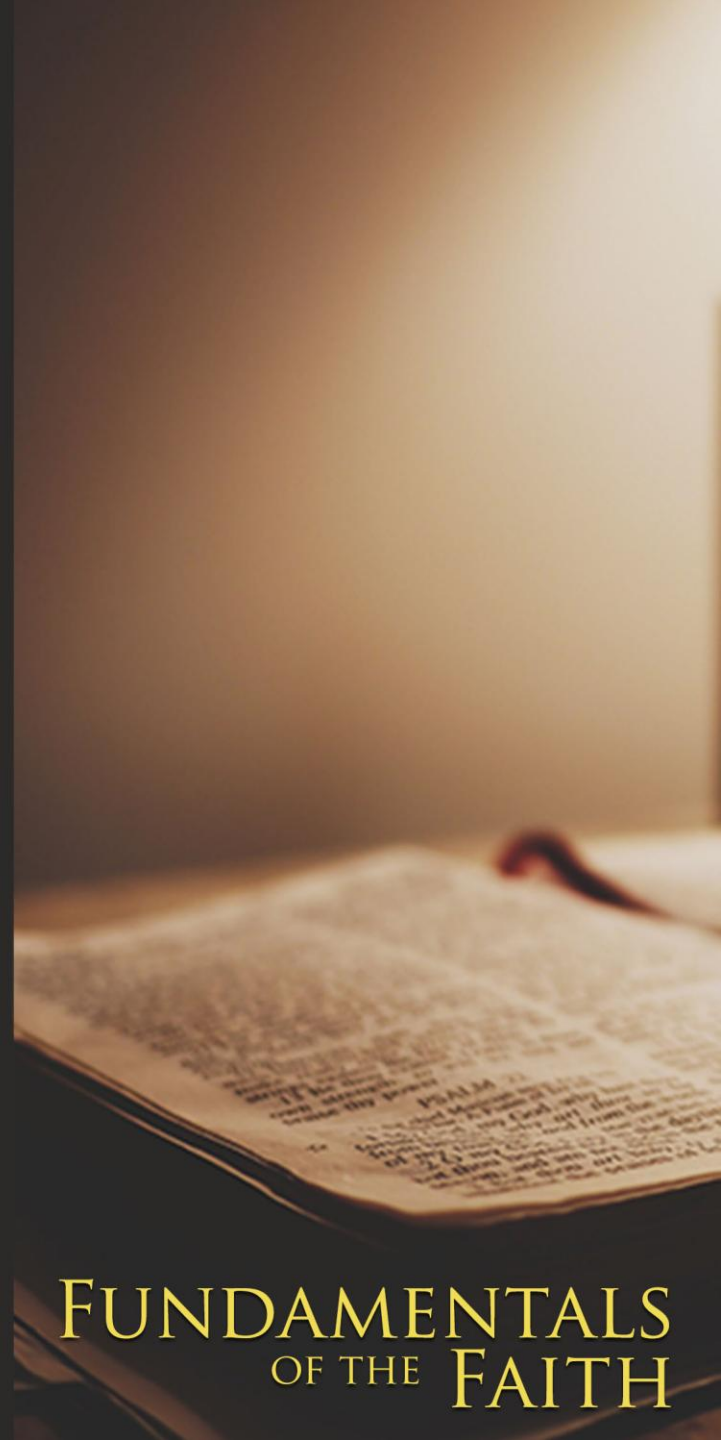
## IV. Application Questions

- Why does God supply the body with spiritual gifts?
- Why would some gifts no longer be in operation today?
- How do you discover your spiritual giftedness?
  - Have you considered you may have multiple?
- Why do spiritual gifts get abused in the church?
- Discuss your pursuit of spiritual gifts.
- How are you/ might you use your giftedness to serve this body?
- What would happen if God didn't gift the body?

# Next Week...

## Evangelism and the Believer

- I. Complete Lesson 11 in workbook
- II. Memorize 1 Peter 3:15
- III. Listen to Message: Fishing for Men



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