

Understanding the Gifts of the Spirit Session 3 – The Power Gifts (Gifts that Do Something) Pastor Dale Campbell

I. Review of previous lessons

A. Lesson 1 – Paul's Introduction to the Gifts

- 1. We are to desire spiritual gifts.
 - <u>1 Corinthians 14:1 (NKJV)</u> Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.
- 2. We are not to be ignorant regarding spiritual gifts
 - <u>1 Corinthians 12:1 (NKJV)</u> Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant:
- B. Lesson 2 Understanding the Revelation Gifts
 - 1. The Revelation Gifts all reveal something as the Spirit gives supernatural insight regarding things.
 - 2. The Word of Knowledge

The word of knowledge is the supernatural revelation by the Holy Spirit of certain facts in the mind of God.

- 3. The Word of Wisdom
 - a. The word of wisdom is a supernatural revelation by the Spirit concerning the divine purpose in the mind and will of God.
 - b. The difference in the word of knowledge and the word of wisdom.
- 4. The gifts of discerning of spirits
 - a. The discerning of spirits gives insight into the spirit world.
 - b. Discerning of spirits reveals the source of supernatural manifestations.



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II. Understanding the Power Gifts – (Gifts that Do Something)

A. Faith, Gifts of Healings, The Working of Miracles

1 Corinthians 12:7-11 (NKJV) — ⁷But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: ⁸for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

B. The Gift of Faith

- 1. The gift of faith empowers believers that they might receive miracles.
- 2. Those who experience the gift of faith believe God in such a way that He honors their word as His own and miraculously brings it to pass.

Personal example of the faith that I experienced in moving to this location. The spoken word regarding unpaid bills.

- 3. The gift of faith is different from saving faith

 Everyone has a measure of faith that will allow them to exercise saving faith.
- 4. The gift of faith is different from the fruit of faith.

Galatians 5:22 (KJV) – But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith.
In the GREEK – this is faithfulness. Faith or Faithfulness is a fruit that grows in the life of the believer.



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- 5. The gift of faith is a special faith that is given by the Spirit of God.
- **6. Kenneth Hagin** "The working of miracles employs faith which actively works a miracle, but the gift of faith employs faith which passively expects a miracle as a sustained or continuous miracle".

This gift is supernatural endowment by the Spirit whereby that which is uttered or desired by man or spoken by God shall eventually come to pass. This gift is released by the spoken word that comes forth in faith – as inspired and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

C. The Gift of the Working of Miracles

- 1. A miracle is a supernatural intervention in the ordinary course of nature, a temporary suspension of the accustomed order through the Spirit of God.
 - a. Interventions
 - Elisha waved his mantle to the river which parted the waters after he has seen Elijah caught up in the chariot to heaven. A miracle occurred when the natural course of the river was HALTED supernaturally.
 - Miraculously an axe head floated back to land.
 - Miraculously lion's mouths were shut.
 - Miraculously fire did not burn the three Hebrew boys.
 - b. Miracles occur when what should have occurred is halted and changed with no natural explanation.
 - c. Example

Acts 13:6-11 (NKJV) — ⁶Now when they had gone through the island to Paphos, they found a certain sorcerer, a false prophet, a Jew whose name was Bar-Jesus, ⁷who was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man. This man called for Barnabas and Saul and sought to hear the word of God. ⁸But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith. ⁹Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him ¹⁰and said, "O full of all deceit and all fraud, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the



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straight ways of the Lord? ¹¹And now, indeed, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a time." And immediately a dark mist fell on him, and he went around seeking someone to lead him by the hand.

This working of miracles was as a sign to others.

- 2. The working of miracles is used to display God's power and magnificence.
 - a. **Greek Text** The working of powers; Explosions of almightiness impelling, staggering wonders and astonishment.
 - b. Pastor's Note: If there is one of the gifts that we are missing or not recognizing at full strength at GFC it would be this one, HOWEVER we will witness this one in coming days!

D. The Gifts of Healing

- 1. The purpose of the gifts of healings is to deliver the sick and to destroy the works of the devil in the human body.
 - a. The gifts of healings are for the supernatural healing of disease without natural means of any source.
 - b. **Example:** The father-in-law of the chief citizen on the Island where Paul was shipwrecked was healed when Paul laid his hand on him. He was healed by supernatural power!

Then they brought were sick on the island and as Paul ministered to them, they were all healed.

(See Acts 28)

2. Why gifts of healing (Plural): There is no biblical explanation for this.

Kenneth Hagin – "I think there are gifts of healings because there are so many different kinds of disease and one gift wouldn't heal every kind".



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3. Certain ministries seem to operate to a higher degree in specific types of healings.

<u>1 Corinthians 12:28-30 (NKJV)</u> – ²⁸And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues. ²⁹Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? ³⁰Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?

In this passage He is not talking about spiritual gifts, He is speaking of men equipped with spiritual gifts in the church. He was saying, there will be some leaders who are equipped with the working of miracles and the gifts of healings.

- a. Jesus had the Spirit without measure. He healed every type of illness and every manner of disease with no limitations.
- b. Phillip's Ministry

 Acts 8:4-7 (NKJV) ⁴Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word. ⁵Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. ⁶And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. ⁷For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed.

 It is evident that there was a special anointing upon Phillip for
- c. There are special endowments upon some ministries for specific types of healings and miracles. When Paul spoke of all not having the gifts of healings, he is speaking of these special endowments. (1 Cor 12:30)

healing of those who were paralyzed and lame.