



MESSAGE NOTES

PRACTICAL TEACHING FOR EVERYDAY LIVING

Title: **GIVE YOURSELF AWAY**
Series: EQUIPPED
Text: 1 Corinthians 12:7-26
Speaker: **Kevin T. Hardy** Date: **February 25, 2024**

Therefore, ***I urge you***, brothers, in view of God's mercy, ***to offer your bodies*** as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.
(Ro 12:1).

1. LIVE YOUR LIFE FOR _____

Now ***about spiritual gifts***, brothers, ***I do not want you to be ignorant***. 2 You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols. 3 Therefore I tell you that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, ***"Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit***. (1 Co 12:1–3).

Spiritual gifts exalt the _____ (Christ) and not the _____ (us).

There are ***different kinds of gifts***, but the same Spirit. 5 There are ***different kinds of service***, but the same Lord. 6 There are ***different kinds of working***, but the same God works all of them in all men. (1 Co 12:4–6).

- DIFFERENT KINDS OF _____
- DIFFERENT KINDS OF _____
- DIFFERENT KINDS OF _____

2. LIVE FOR THE BENEFIT OF YOUR _____

Now to each one ***the manifestation of the Spirit*** is given for the ***common good***. (1 Co 12:7).

Each one ***should use whatever gift*** he has received ***to serve others***, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. (1 Peter 4:10)

To one there is given through **the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge** by means of the same Spirit,

9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, 10 to another miraculous powers,

to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. (1 Co 12:8–10).

- GIFTS THAT INVOLVE THE _____ (Wisdom and Knowledge)
- GIFTS IN SUPERNATURAL _____ (Faith, Healing, Miracles)
- GIFTS IN SUPERNATURAL _____ (Prophecy, Tongues, Interpretation)

“Every part of my being wakened up. I did not get a new set of brains, but I got a **new mentality**. I did not get a new faculty of speech, but I got a **new effectiveness of speech**. I did not get a new dictionary, but a **new Bible**. Immediately I was a new creature, with the same basis of natural qualities, energized, quickened, reinforced into a bigger vitality and effectiveness that nobody would ever have dreamed possible. **That is what happens to those upon whom the Spirit comes**” Samuel Chadwick

All these are the work of one and **the same Spirit**, and **he gives them to each one**, just as **he determines**. (1 Co 12:11).

3. LIVE IN _____ WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? 18 But in fact **God has arranged the parts in the body**, every one of them, **just as he wanted them to be**. 19 If they were all one part, where would the body be? 20 As it is, there are many parts, but one body. (1 Co 12:17–20).

The eye cannot say to the hand, **“I don’t need you!”** And the head cannot say to the feet, **“I don’t need you!”** 22 On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be **weaker are indispensable**, 23 and the parts that we think are **less honorable we treat with special honor**. And the parts that are **unpresentable are treated with special modesty**, 24 while our presentable parts need no special treatment (1 Co 12:21–24).

But **God has combined the members of the body** and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, 25 so that there should be **no division in the body**, but that its parts should have **equal concern for each other**. 26 If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. (1 Co 12:24–26).