

1 CORINTHIANS
12:1-11

PAUL'S LETTERS TO US

10. SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Paul wrote to the Church in Corinth about spiritual gifts from the Holy Spirit. The Spirit gives believers gifts today so we can serve God with His power.



1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed.

2 You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led.

3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says "Jesus is accursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.



4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;

5 and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord;

6 and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.

7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.



8 For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit,

9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit,

10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.



11 All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

 END OF READING



DID YOU KNOW



The Corinthian church had written Paul a letter full of questions, including one about spiritual gifts. This passage was Paul's answer. The Lord wanted the Corinthians to understand spiritual gifts, and He wants us to understand, too.



The phrase "mute idol" means an idol has a mouth but cannot talk. The Bible says this several times in the Old Testament, too (Psalm 115:5; Psalm 135:16). We serve a living God who speaks to us through the Holy Spirit and His Word.



Spiritual gifts are mentioned in several other passages (Romans 12:6-8; Ephesians 4:11-12; 1 Peter 4:10-11; 1 Corinthians 14:1-5). When the Bible repeats something, it means we should pay close attention and understand.



In 1 Corinthians 12:31, Paul encourages the Corinthians to "earnestly desire the higher (most helpful) gifts". God wants us to seek these gifts and use them to bless other believers.

Read 1 Corinthians 12:27 in your Bible and write it below. We are all part of the Body of Christ!



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Use 1 Corinthians 12:8-10 to match the gifts to their verse.



Distinguishing
between spirits



prophecy

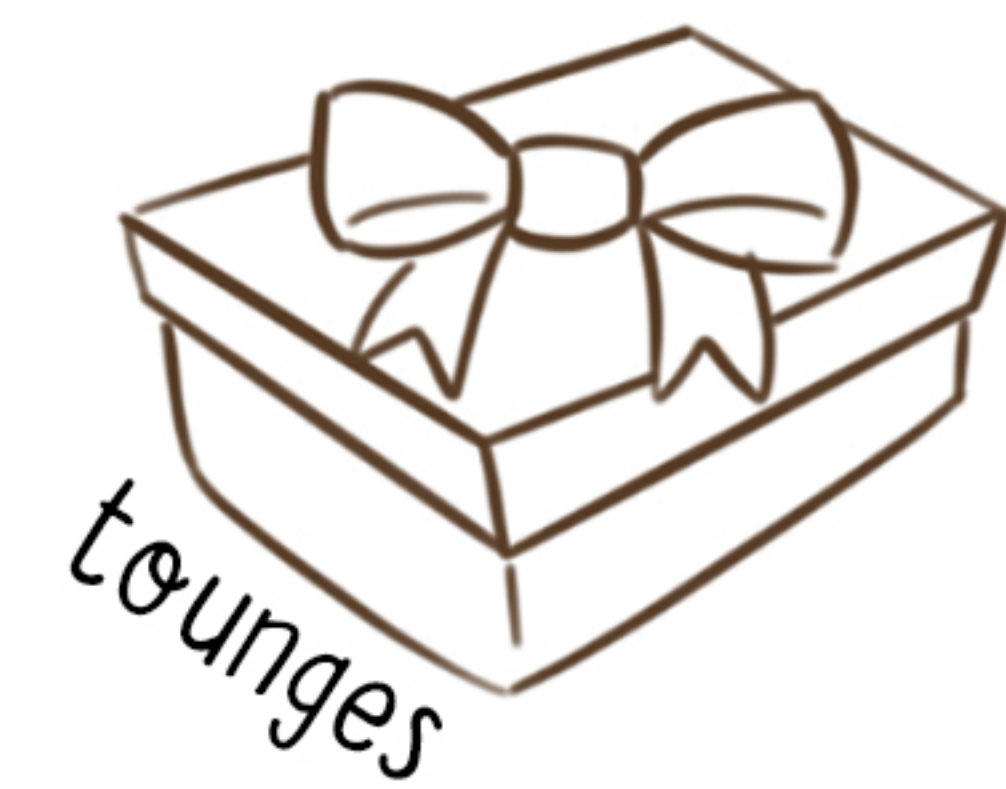


interpretation
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