

Desire the GIFTS
The Gifts of the Spirit – Part 2
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Text: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (NLT)

A. What are the Gifts for?

1. They point to Jesus.
 - i. The Holy Spirit always exalts Jesus.

John 15:26 (NLT)

- ii. Unbelievers will be convinced that God is truly present.

1 Corinthians 14:24-25 (NLT)

- iii. They will worship God describes the conversion of the unbeliever to the Christian faith.

2. To build up and encourage believers.

1 Corinthians 14:12 (NLT)

B. Who are the Gifts for?

1. **The entire congregation (body).**

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NLT)

1 Corinthians 14:1-4 (NLT)

2. All believers in the body of Christ.

i.e. Don't tune out the Holy Spirit "Just because the gift did not come through me, or was directed towards me... it's not for me!

The gifts **benefit everyone!**

C. How do the Gifts operate?

Note: When the Gifts are being used both publicly and privately there are three things we need to pay attention to: *a.* Trust *b.* Timing and *c.* Tone

1. Trust.

Hebrews 13:17 (NLT)

i. "We ask that only those who are **mature** and **faithful trusted** Members operate in these gifts in our Corporate Gathering.

Does it line up with scripture? (sure word of prophesy)

1 Corinthians 14:29

2. Timing.

1 Cor. 14:33 (NLT)

1 Cor. 14:40 (NLT)

I Cor 14:39 (NLT)

i. The Holy Spirit and his gifts are not: (a) Weird (b) Out of Control (c) sensational for effect.

3. Tone.

i. The motivation behind the gifts is always love.

I Corinthians 14:1 (NLT)

ii. The content of prophecy is for: strengthening, encouraging, and comfort.

1 Corinthians 14:3

iii. Never to condemn.

1 Corinthians 13:1-8

Next Steps Today I am:

1. Committing my life to Christ
2. Desiring to be used of God in the area of the Gifts.
3. I'm asking God to improve my love for others.
4. I want to be water Baptized