

AZMOP YOUNG ADULTS CAMP

UNDERSTANDING THE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT

Understanding the spiritual gifts

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4 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. 6 And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.

7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: 8 for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit,

10 to 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. 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:7 · “MANIFESTATION”

MANIFESTATIONS= *PHANERŌSIS* (GREEK)

A disclosure. An unveiling. A making visible.

The Spirit **revealing** Himself through **His people**. It centers the Revealer, not the vessel.

Manifestations, not possessions.

SEGMENT 1 - HISTORICAL CONTEXT

WHY IS PAUL EVEN WRITING THIS?

The gifts are not a Pentecostal invention. They are a fulfilled Old Testament promise.

THE PROMISE ARC - PART 1

THE PROMISE

NUMBERS 11:29

“I wish that all the LORD's people were prophets.”

Moses' wish

THE OLD TESTAMENT

The Spirit rested on some: prophets, priests, kings, craftsmen.

Over a few

JOEL 2:28–29

“I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh.”

Sons, daughters, young men, even servants



THE PROMISE ARC - PART 2

THE FULFILLMENT

EPHESIANS 4:8

“When He ascended on high... He gave gifts to men.”

Tied to the ascension

JOHN 16:7

“If I do not go away, the Helper will not come.”

Jesus' promise

ACTS 2:16

“This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel.”

Pentecost

PENTECOST IS THE DEMOCRATIZATION OF THE SPIRIT

**The Spirit went from
resting over a few to filling
everyone.**

Every believer. Every son and daughter = Moses'
wish, granted.

“NOW CONCERNING...” · 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1

PAUL IS FIXING A CHURCH CRISIS

STATUS

Corinthians treated tongues as the ultimate badge of spirituality

CHAOS

This caused division instead of building up the church

SENSATION

Former pagans over-valuing emotional experiences

We want deep spiritual experiences at the altar. But we also need deep study & understanding of the Word.

A healthy church needs **BALANCE**.

SEGMENT 2

TWO LISTS. TWO KINDS OF GIFTS.

Romans 12 and 1 Corinthians 12 are not the same kind of gift.

ROMANS 12:6 · NIV

6 We have different gifts,
according to the grace given to
each of us. If your gift is
prophesying, then prophesy in
accordance with your faith;

7 if it is **serving**, then serve; if it is **teaching**, then teach; 8 if it is to **encourage**, then give encouragement; if it is **giving**, then give generously; if it is to **lead**, do it diligently; if it is to show **mercy**, do it cheerfully.

ROMANS 12

SEVEN MOTIVATIONAL GIFTS

MERCY

Emotional care;
relieving pain

SERVING

Meeting practical,
tangible needs

TEACHING

Imparting truth;
preventing error

ENCOURAGING

Inspiring action
and growth

GIVING

Releasing resources
to solve a problem

LEADING

Bringing order;
casting vision

PROPHESYING

Exposing
misalignment with
the Word

YOUR HARDWIRING

How God built
your soul

WHAT ABOUT PROPHECY?

A PROPHETIC PERSON VS. A PROPHETIC MOMENT

ROMANS 12

A prophetic person

- A radar for compromise, hypocrisy and deception
- A watchman who sees what's coming

1 CORINTHIANS 12

A prophetic moment

- A sudden, Spirit-inspired word for a moment
- Not dependent on the person
- You don't control when it happens

NOT EVERYBODY IS GIFTED THE SAME WAY

“Unos cantaban, otros oraban, pero todos alababan.”

Different gifts, **same Spirit.**
Different ministries, **same Lord.**
Different activities, **same God.**

SEGMENT 3

THE NINE SPIRITUAL GIFTS

1 Corinthians 12 · manifestations of the Spirit

THE CLASSIC PENTECOSTAL 3×3 · HOWARD CARTER & DONALD GEE

THREE CATEGORIES. NINE GIFTS.

REVELATION

God reveals
something

- Word of Wisdom
- Word of Knowledge
- Discerning of Spirits

POWER

God does
something

- Gift of Faith
- Gifts of Healings
- Working of Miracles

UTTERANCE

God says
something

- Prophecy
- Divers Kinds of Tongues
- Interpretation of Tongues

CATEGORY 1 · GOD REVEALS SOMETHING

REVELATION GIFTS

What we could never know through natural observation or intelligence.

Word of Wisdom

Word of Knowledge

Discerning of Spirits

WORD OF WISDOM

A supernatural insight from God that gives direction, strategy or understanding for a specific, complex or hard situation.

Not just being smart. Wisdom beyond what you could have figured out on your own.

Sometimes God doesn't remove the situation. He gives you wisdom for what to do inside of it.

WORD OF KNOWLEDGE

When the Holy Spirit reveals a fact about a person or situation that you could not have known naturally.

Revelation is never given to embarrass people. God reveals to redeem, heal, warn, encourage or minister.

You didn't investigate it. Nobody told you. God revealed it.

DISCERNING OF SPIRITS

Supernatural perception to recognize the spiritual source or influence operating in a situation.

Not everything spiritual is The Holy Spirit.

CATEGORY 2 · GOD DOES SOMETHING

POWER GIFTS

God's supernatural power, in situations human ability cannot accomplish.

Gift of Faith

Gifts of Healings

Working of Miracles

GIFT OF FAITH

A supernatural certainty, given by the Spirit, that God is going to act in a particular situation.

Different from simply living faithfully. An unusual confidence: “I know God is going to do this.”

Normal faith says, “God can.” The gift of faith rises up and says, “God will.”

GIFTS OF HEALINGS

Supernatural works of the Holy Spirit through which God brings healing: body, soul and spirit.

Paul uses plurals. Not a superpower you switch on and off; as God wills, not as the person wills.

The gift is supernatural, but the person carrying it is still dependent on the Spirit.

WORKING OF MIRACLES

Supernatural acts of God's power that accomplish what natural human ability cannot.

The important word is **working**: Moses lifting the staff, Jesus blessing and breaking the bread again and again.

The Red Sea parts. The bread and fish multiply.

CATEGORY 3 · GOD SAYS SOMETHING

UTTERANCE GIFTS

Spirit-enabled speech for a specific moment: for the believer, the unbeliever and the church.

Prophecy

Divers Kinds of Tongues

Interpretation of Tongues

PROPHECY

A Spirit-prompted message that communicates what God wants expressed in a specific moment.

It can confront or correct, but it should ultimately move people toward God's purposes.

“He who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.”

1 Corinthians 14:3

BEFORE YOU BELIEVE EVERY “GOD TOLD ME” VIDEO

RUN IT THROUGH SCRIPTURE

1

**Does it agree
with the
Word?**

2

**Does it point
people toward
Jesus?**

3

**What fruit
does it
produce?**

DIVERS KINDS OF TONGUES

A supernatural utterance in a language the speaker has not learned, given through the Holy Spirit.

PERSONAL

Edifies the believer.
Spirit to God,
directly.

SIGN

Edifies the
unbeliever. A real
language, foreign to
the speaker.

PROPHETIC

Edifies the church.
Always followed by
interpretation.

UTTERANCE · 9 OF 9

INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES

A Spirit-given ability to communicate the meaning of a prophetic tongue so the church can understand it.

Interpretation, not word-for-word translation. The heart of the message.

What was spoken by the Spirit becomes understandable, and the whole church is edified.

AT A GLANCE

ROMANS 12 VS. 1 CORINTHIANS 12

ROMANS 12

1 CORINTHIANS 12

CORE QUESTION	How has God shaped me to serve?	How can the Spirit manifest through me?
BIBLICAL TERM	<i>Charismata</i> : grace-endowments	<i>Phanerōsis</i> : manifestations, outshining
NATURE	Who you are: motivational DNA	What the Spirit does: event-based power
OWNERSHIP	Resident: woven into your nature	Hosted: flows as the Spirit wills
ANALOGY	The appliance: a lamp, a phone, a heater	The electricity flowing through it
ACTIVATION	Constant: you wake up seeing the world this way	Situational: “as He wills” (v. 11)

SEGMENT 4

SHOW ME THE FRUIT

The gifts are nothing without **fruit**.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:1–2 · NIV

If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, **I am nothing.**

1 CORINTHIANS 13

**ALL GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT
MUST BE FOUNDED IN
LOVE.**

GALATIANS 5:22–23

NINE GIFTS. NINE FRUIT.

LOVE

JOY

PEACE

PATIENCE

KINDNESS

GOODNESS

FAITHFULNESS

GENTLENESS

SELF-CONTROL

**JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE
TALENTED DOESN'T EXCUSE
YOU FROM BEING
ACCOUNTABLE.**

**GIFTING IS NOT THE
MEASUREMENT OF MATURITY.**

FRUIT IS.

YOUR GIFT IS NOT ABOUT YOU

Your gift isn't about making you important; it makes you available.

DISCOVERY OF YOUR GIFTS REQUIRES MOVEMENT

- Don't use the search for your gifts as an excuse for spiritual laziness.
- Serving shows you what you're good at, and what you're not.
- Discovering what you're not gifted for is just as valuable as discovering what you are.

Core truth: God doesn't show His plans to spectators; He shows them to servants.

**SOULS ARE
ATTACHED TO YOUR
OBEDIENCE**