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Introduction

What are these gifts of the Spirit?

How can you know that you have particular gifts of the Spirit? What does the believer do with these gifts in the church? Are some gifts more important than others? Are the gifts of healing still being accessed today by believers? Is the gift of miracles still existent in the church today?

Each and every believer has been given, by the indwelling of the Spirit of God, gifts of the Spirit (Acts 2:38). In Acts chapter 8 and in 1 Corinthians chapters 12-14 we see external gifts of the Holy Spirit, their use and the spirit behind the gift.

These are not gifts developed by us; they are from the Holy Spirit! We are not to ever boast about these gifts but give God all the glory. If we boast and brag, it's taking credit for something that we didn't earn ourselves.

No believer can say that they have no gift of the Spirit from God. God has given all believers gifts; some have several and others have some. These gifts of the Spirit are given not for the believer but for the encouragement and ministry to the Body of Christ. It is to make the Body whole, complete and a witness of God's glory! These gifts are intended for the church to **edify** it, to **strengthen** it, to **feed** it, to **exhort** it, to **encourage** it and to have the Body of Christ **equipped** to do the work of Christ.

"A church where Charismatic Gifts in all their wonder and variety are not in evidence is something less than the Church founded at Pentecost."

- Donald Bloesch

In addition to the SERIES OF TRUTHS provided in this lesson, we will be looking at a booklet that will help you discover your Ministry Gifts that God created you to use in His church. These are helpful exercises to allow you / the Christian to see what your talents and abilities are and therefore how they can be best used for building up / edifying the Church.

Here are the 9 gifts of the Holy Spirit listed in 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

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.

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I want you to notice the underlined verses 7 and 11 on p.34. When you receive “the promise of the Holy Spirit that Jesus spoke about (the baptism with the Holy Spirit), you also receive gifts from the Holy Spirit “distributing to each one individually as He wills” These gifts are not just for the pastor or the visiting speaker, they are for every born again believer (that means you!) that is baptized with the Holy Spirit.

The nine manifestation gifts of the Holy Spirit can be broken down into three categories: revelation gifts, power gifts, and utterance gifts.

REVELATION GIFTS (A gift manifestation that KNOWS something.)

1. The gift of the word of wisdom
2. The gift of the word of knowledge
3. The gift of the Discerning of spirits

POWER GIFTS (A gift manifestation that DOES something.)

4. The gift of faith
5. The gift of the gifts of healing
6. The gift of the working of miracles

UTTERANCE GIFTS (A gift manifestation that SPEAKS something.)

7. The gift of prophecy
8. The gift of different (diverse) kinds of tongues
9. The gift of the interpretation of tongues

An important and interesting thing to note: Before Jesus was baptized by the Holy Spirit there were no recorded miracles, healings, casting out of demons, walking on water, rebuking storms, cursing fig trees or raising the dead. This is a critical and profound truth, Jesus, the Word of God made flesh, setting an example for us to follow had no miracle working power until the Holy Spirit came on him; something to seriously consider as we seek the Baptism with the Spirit.

I encourage you over the next several weeks to pray and ask God to make known to you what your gifts are and if you haven't received the Baptism with the Spirit, to continue seeking the promise. If we are to be effective in our lives, ministry and mission, we must continue to grow in our knowledge of the Word and our Lord Jesus Christ

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REVELATION GIFTS 1

(A gift manifestation that KNOWS something.)

THE GIFT OF THE WORD OF WISDOM (1 Corinthians 12:8)

A Definition: The supernatural application of knowledge.

The Word of Wisdom is the supernatural ability that God gives to certain individuals in the body of Christ, in knowing how and when to minister accurately by the Holy Spirit into peoples' lives or concerning the plans and purposes of God's will. This gift initiates itself in the right timing of the mind of God and enables the other Gifts to make a significant impact.

Positives for people with this gift:

- They focus on the unseen consequences in determining the next steps to take.
- They receive an understanding of what is necessary to meet the needs of the local body.
- They provide simple, practical solutions in the midst of conflict and / or confusion.
- They hear the Spirit provide direction for God's best in a given situation.
- They apply spiritual truth in specific and practical ways.

A word of caution for people with this gift:

- They are tempted to keep it to themselves because others are not always open to advice.
- They need to avoid having others develop a dependence upon them, which may weaken their faith in God.
- They should be careful not to look down on others who don't appear to have as much commonsense.

The word of wisdom is the best gift because it is a revelation concerning the plans and the purposes in the mind of God. – Kenneth E. Hagin

Biblical Example: So the example, perhaps, that is most well known in the Bible is of Solomon, when confronted by two women who were fighting over a baby, saying "No! This is MY baby!" And the other one saying, "No! It's MY baby!" The whole point was they had two babies and one of them had died and there was a dispute about whose baby had died. Suddenly Solomon has a flash of insight, which I'm sure was from God, and he says this: "Take a sword and cut the baby in half." So, just as a soldier is unsheathing his sword, one of the women cries out, "No, no, no! Don't cut it in half. Give it to the other lady!" And the other woman cries out, "If I can't have the baby, no one shall. Yes! Cut it in half!" And in that moment Solomon knew the answer to whose baby it was, so the lady who was prepared to give up the baby got the baby.

Make it your prayer today to ask God to baptize you with his Holy Spirit and show you when to use the gifts of His Holy Spirit.

PJ

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REVELATION GIFTS 2

(A gift manifestation that KNOWS something.)

THE GIFT OF THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE (1 Corinthians 12:8)

A Definition: The revelation of facts past, present or future which were not learned through the efforts of the natural mind.

“The word of knowledge is a supernatural revelation by the Spirit of God concerning certain facts in the mind of God— facts about people, places, or things in the past or present.”

- Kenneth E. Hagin

A Few Biblical Examples:

In Matthew 17:27 Jesus told Peter where to find his taxation money - in a fish's mouth!
In Acts 9, 22 and 26, Ananias in the conversion of Paul **In Acts 10**, Cornelius in finding Peter, who then was instrumental in bringing the Holy Spirit to the Gentiles.

The Purpose of The Word of Knowledge:

- To bring supernatural encouragement.
- To give confirmation to what God has already been saying or doing.
- To give insight and understanding of what is ahead in the purposes of God.
- To help in counseling/evangelistic situations.
- To unlock hindrances to healing/unanswered prayers.
- To reveal where sin is being covered up.

Positives for people with this gift:

- They learn easily and recall the material accurately and in detail.
- They discover biblical truth, which enables them to better serve the body.
- They have a deep love for the Scriptures, and enjoy digging deeper in the Bible for insight, understanding, and truth.
- They carefully study and research subjects they want to understand better; organize information for teaching and practical use.

A word of caution for people with this gift:

- They should beware of becoming proud about what they know.
- They should remember that when they give a word of knowledge to the church, it's God's message, not theirs.
- They need to remember that their latest discovery may not be what others around them need to hear at that time.

My prayer for those whom God entrusts with this gift....Obey and watch God work!
Be blessed and may God's presence bring a sensitive ear to his voice. - PJ

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REVELATION GIFTS 3

(A gift manifestation that KNOWS something.)

THE GIFT OF THE DISCERNING OF SPIRITS (1 Corinthians 12:10)

A Definition: Discerning of spirits is the supernatural ability given by the Holy Spirit to perceive the source of a spiritual manifestation and determine whether it is of God (Acts 10:30-35), of the devil (Acts 16:16-18), of man (Acts 8:18-23), or of the world.

Biblical Example: The Apostle Paul discerned a spirit of divination in a girl (read Acts 16:16-40).

How do you test a Spirit? You can discern or test whether or not a spirit is of God by following these three guides:

1. Observing what a person does. In **Matthew 7:15-20**, Jesus explains that false prophets are known by their fruit - by their conduct and actions.
2. Observing whether or not a person exalts Jesus Christ as the Son of God and as Lord and Savior (**1 Corinthians 12:3**).
3. By listening to what a person says (**1 John 4:1-3**). Does their confession line up with the truth of God's Word?

Some Purposes of The Gift of Discerning of Spirits:

- a. Counseling situations: discerning the genuine from the dishonest (truth from lies).
- b. Revealing error in individuals or ministries, e.g. when Peter spoke to Jesus and then was rebuked (Matthew 16:21-23).
- c. Evaluating the operation of Spiritual Gifts in the body of Christ.

Spiritual Warfare and the Discernings of Spirits.

The Assemblies of God believes in spiritual warfare because the concept is clearly stated in Scripture (you must read Ephesians 6:10-12).

In His ministry while on earth, Jesus cast out evil spirits, setting the demon-possessed free from physical infirmities accompanying the presence of evil. But on other occasions Jesus simply healed infirmities that resulted from natural causes, not from personal sin or demon possession (read John 9:2,3). With that said, carried to extremes, some who have misinterpreted spiritual warfare have imagined demons around every corner and location a believer travels. Our everyday Christian walk is not to be a litany of rebuking the devil at every turn, but rather a standing firm in the faith and resisting the temptations that Satan slyly brings against believers (see 1 Peter 5:8-9). To do more is to give greater credit to Satan than he deserves.

Let's ask the Lord to help us in our implementation of this great gift. - PJ

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The Discerning of Spirits and Prophecy

By Anthony D. Palma (enrichment magazine article from the Assemblies of God website)

The manifestation of the Spirit that is translated “discerning of spirits” (1 Corinthians 12:10) is actually plural in form — discernings of spirits (*diakriseis* is the plural of *diakrasis*).

This indicates there is more than one way in which this gift manifests itself. It may be used in identifying a person as demon-possessed or satanically motivated in something he is doing, but the purpose of this article is to show its connection with the gift of prophecy.

The order in which it appears in the charismata as given in 1 Corinthians 12:8–10 indicates a strong link with the gift of prophecy. It is listed between prophecy on the one hand and tongues and interpretation on the other. Since the 14th chapter of 1 Corinthians is an extended treatment of prophecy, tongues, and interpretation, what place do “discernings” of spirits have in that chapter?

Paul states in verse 29, “Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other [Greek — others] judge.” The verb form for “judge” is from the basic word *diakrino*, which appears in noun form as *diakrasis*. Both words carry the meaning of distinguishing or differentiating.

It is not accidental that Paul listed discernings of spirits immediately after the gift of prophecy (12:10), and then used the same word in verb form when dealing with the regulation of the gift of prophecy (14:29). This conclusion is further strengthened by the fact these are the only occurrences of these words in Paul’s treatment of the charismata in 1 Corinthians 12–14).

What are the “spirits” that must be distinguished? An obvious answer is that a differentiation must be made between the Holy Spirit and a satanic or evil spirit. But there is also a third possibility — the spirit of the person giving the prophecy. It may be that a well-intentioned individual’s own spirit will intrude into a prophetic utterance. In this area it is necessary to rely on the omniscient Holy Spirit for guidance, so the genuine may be distinguished from the satanic or human.

Here then are three indications which link this gift with the gift of prophecy: (1) In the list of charismata found in 1 Corinthians 12:8–10, it is paired with prophecy just as interpretation of tongues is paired with tongues; (2) in 1 Corinthians 14:29 the same basic word is used for “judging” prophetic utterances; (3) the plural form suggests that it functions in a number of ways — one of these being in regulating the gift of prophecy.

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POWER GIFTS 1

(A gift manifestation that DOES something.)

THE GIFT OF FAITH (1 Corinthians 12:9)

Definition: Having an unbelievable faith in God, believing that He is going to be true to His promises or “a word” spoken to your heart.

Application: This can apply personally, for others, or for tasks. Example: Christian projects like, finances for a church building project, resources needed for a particular ministry, a need, healings or for the souls of men.

A Few Biblical Examples of Faith:

1. Abraham (Romans 4:18-21)
2. Faith for Souls (1 Thessalonians 1:8-10)
3. Daniel in the Lions' Den (Daniel 6)
4. Sister Teresa's Testimonies

Positives for people with this gift:

- They believe the promises of God and inspire others to do the same.
- They act in complete confidence of God's ability to overcome obstacles.
- They have an attitude, in various crises that arise, not only that God can do something, but that He will do it.
- They advance the cause of Christ because they go forward when others hesitate or resist.
- They ask God for what is needed and trust the Lord for provisions.

A word of caution for people with this gift:

- They need to act on their faith.
- They should remember that those who speak with reason and desire to plan do not necessarily lack faith.
- They should listen to and consider the counsel of wise and Spirit-filled believers.

Faith as a gift is not the same as saving faith. Is there some kind of unusual circumstance in your life, right now? Is God calling you to do something beyond you? If so, I encourage you to ask God for a supernatural faith. Example: The prophet Elijah when he confronted the gods of Baal (1 Kings 18:33-40). Also, even having faith yourself to encourage others to believe God. Whatever you are facing today that may be over your head, request a measure of Faith from God and keep moving forward in your walk with Jesus!

Be Blessed! Pastor John

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POWER GIFTS 2

(A gift manifestation that DOES something.)

THE GIFT OF THE GIFTS OF HEALINGS (1 Corinthians 12:9)

Definition: The gift of the gifts of *healings* is when God grants certain members of the body of Christ to serve as human intermediaries (Acting as a mediator or an agent between persons or things), through whom it pleases God to cure illnesses and restore people to wholeness.

In the Book of Acts miraculous healings caused many to turn to the Lord for salvation. Both “gifts” and “healings” are plural in the Greek (the original language in which the New Testament was written), thus there is not one “gift” of healing but many to meet all kinds of sickness and disease. **The gift of healing is not for the one who ministers the gift, it is for the sick person—the one who receives the gift.** When Peter said to the lame man “*what I have I give you*” (Acts 3:6), he meant the Spirit was giving him a specific gift of healing to give the lame man. The Spirit did not give Peter a reservoir of healing gifts in himself. He had to look to the Lord and receive from the Spirit a new gift for each sick person who was healed. Peter recognized also that God is the Healer and He alone must receive the glory (Acts 3:12–16; Exodus 15:26). The Spirit will also encourage an atmosphere of faith, love and acceptance that will help the sick person to receive.

- Taken from the AG website ag.org

Healing then and Healing in the Church Today

Jesus commanded his disciples and sent them “*to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal*” in his name (read Luke 9:1-12). Jesus’ command was meant not only for the early church but also for the church today. Therefore, proclaiming and healing go hand in hand.

The proclamation of God’s kingdom and healing should be a regular part in the life of the church, the body of Christ. When the gospel is proclaimed, healing takes place in the spiritual as well as physical realm.

Through proclamation, the sinner who is far off draws near to Christ and is healed or cleansed of the sin that separates him or her from fellowship with God (Numbers 21:6-9, John 12:32). Those who are made clean by the blood of Jesus are restored and ushered into the church, and right fellowship with God. Broken lives are mended, severed relationships are healed, and the new family of God is added to in light of the power of the gospel of God and its cleansing/healing resurrection power (Rom 1:16). Amen!

My prayer for each of you is to understand the significant role you have in the body of Christ and to the world around you. You are an instrument in the hands of God, to use for His glory. Your ability to articulate the message and your willingness to be used in the gifts will no doubt bring healing to the soul as well as the physical bodies of many. Ask the Lord to help you surrender and to obey his leading in your life and watch God do wonderful things! - PJ

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Why is it that some people reject this form of healing today? Could it be that some are intimidated by the possibility that their prayers for healing will go unanswered. Maybe others have had their hopes raised for a miraculous healing, only to have them dashed. Understandably, I am sure that this can be quite troublesome to some people. Because God is sovereign, it must be noted that no matter who anoints, no matter who lays on hands, no matter who offers up the prayer, only God heals. In His infinite wisdom, He sometimes chooses to not heal someone in this way. While this may seem terribly unfair and hard to comprehend, we must remember that His ways are higher than our ways. God has a purpose for everything, even if we don't understand it. Someday we will. For myself personally, I know some people who have had their lives, their spiritual lives, shaped by a physical affliction (Joni Erickson Tada, Ray Wolchak). A physical healing may not yield the most positive results in every case. But we must not shy away from interceding in prayer for the afflicted, just because God's answer *might* be "no" at times.

A few Biblical examples for you to read about:

Acts 3:1-16, ACTS 28:1-9, Mark 2:1-12 , Luke 10:33-34 and James 5:14-15

Positives for people with this gift:

- They pray with and care for those who are ill or distressed
- They have a deep sense of compassion, and want God to bring about restoration to the sick and diseased
- They authenticate a message from God through healing
- They use it as an opportunity to communicate a biblical truth and to see God glorified
- They pray, touch, or speak words that miraculously bring healing to one's body

A word of caution for people with this gift:

- They need to remember that it is not always their faith or the faith of the sick that determines a healing, but God who determines it
- They need to realize that God doesn't promise to heal everyone who asks / is prayed for
- They should remember that Jesus did not heal (by choice, not ability) everyone who was sick or suffering while He was on earth.

I pray that the information that is presented in these lessons inspire you as it has me, to seek the Lord like never before about becoming an active steward of the gifts of His Holy Spirit. It is my utmost desire to see the power of God move in His people as they yield themselves to his leading as the gifts are bestowed on His people, for His glory!

Have a blessed day!

Pastor John Ogden

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POWER GIFTS 3

(A gift manifestation that DOES something.)

THE GIFT OF THE WORKING OF MIRACLES (1 Corinthians 12:10)

Definition: "A remarkable or surprising event that happens by the direct intervention of God, not by following the general known laws of nature."

- Dr. David Yonggi Cho, South Korea

The following record of the working of a miracle (a demonstration of God's power) is what I long to see happen today.

The Revival Legacy of Smith Wigglesworth:

taken from the Pentecostal **Enrichment Journal**

Running down a street in Vevey, Switzerland, young Kenneth Ware heard someone call out to him, "Come here, boy! Put out your tongue!" Since his mother had many English-speaking friends, he thought the man must be an American doctor. But far from a medical doctor, it was Smith Wigglesworth, one of the premier healing evangelists in the Pentecostal movement.

Ware had been a neglected child and now at age 15 stuttered badly. Standing before the evangelist, Wigglesworth took hold of the boy's tongue and abruptly declared, "Lad, this tongue will preach the gospel." From that moment the stuttering ceased, and Ware later became a missionary in France.

Pentecostals stood out from many of their evangelical brothers and sisters because of their bold faith in God's willingness to perform miracles in answer to prayer. In contrast, most Christians at the time had either concluded that miracles had ceased with the Apostolic Age or when they did occur, God had sovereignly chosen to do so. In either case, it was useless to pray and actually expect to see miracles happen. But to Pentecostals, Jesus had promised, "these signs shall follow them that believe" (Mark 16:17,18).

Wigglesworth's bold faith, colorful preaching, controversial methods, and the remarkable testimonies that followed his ministry made him legendary. In fact, after his death and those of Aimee Semple McPherson and Charles S. Price in the 1940s, some of the faithful gloomily deduced that the

Spirit's anointing on the Pentecostal movement had been buried with them. Yet, today a younger generation seeking to experience the power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit for Christian witness asks: Who was Smith Wigglesworth? Why do people call him the Apostle of Faith?

- By Gary B. McGee

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THE GIFT OF THE WORKING OF MIRACLES (cont)

A few Biblical examples for you to read:

- Peter walking on the water (Matthew 14:25-33)
- Jesus turned water into wine (John 2:1-11)
- Jesus feeding five thousand with a little bag lunch (John 6:10-14)
- Four fisherman called as disciples (Luke 5:1-11)
- Moses dividing the red sea for the Israelites to cross (Exodus 14:26-29)
- Joshua commanding the sun to stand still (Joshua 10:12-14)

These deeds of mighty supernatural power produce results that glorify God and defeat Satan. Miracles are distinguished from healings in that miracles include a **demonstration of God's power** in an unusual measure beyond the physical body. This can include spiritual **deliverance** from demonic forces, physical **deliverance** of God's people in various life-threatening situations (Acts 12:6-19), a positive change of **favor** in the midst of difficult circumstances, and timely **provisions** for human need (Matthew 14:13-21).

Positives for people with this gift:

- They speak God's truth and may have it authenticated by an accompanying miracle
- They express confidence in God's faithfulness and ability to manifest Christ's presence
- They bring the ministry and message of Jesus Christ with power
- They claim God to be the source of miracles and glorify the Lord
- They represent Christ and through the gift point people to a relationship with Christ.

A word of caution for people with this gift:

- They should keep in mind that miracles are not necessarily caused by faith, and don't necessarily cause others to come to faith.
- They must authenticate the message as coming from God, and point people towards Jesus Christ.
- They should avoid viewing this gift as a personal responsibility, remembering that the location and timing of using the gifts are determined by God.

Will you pray with me as I petition God to move in a way of a powerful demonstration of His power in the gift of working of miracles.

- Pastor John Ogden

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UTTERANCE GIFTS 1

(A gift manifestation that SPEAKS something.)

THE GIFT OF PROPHECY (1 Corinthians 12:10)

Definition: The gift of *prophecy* is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to receive and communicate an immediate message from God to His people through a divinely appointed utterance, and to reveal truth and proclaim it in a timely and relevant manner for understanding, correction, repentance, or edification.

Positives for those with this gift:

- They expose sin or deception in others for the purpose of reconciliation.
- They speak a timely word from God causing conviction, repentance, and edification.
- They see biblical truth that others often fail to see, and challenge them to respond;
- They warn of God's immediate or future judgment if there is no repentance.
- They understand God's heart and mind through experiences the Lord takes them through.

A word of caution for those with this gift:

- They need to be aware that listeners may reject the message if not spoken with love and compassion.
- They need to avoid pride which can create a demanding or discouraging spirit that hinders the gift.
- They should remember that discernment and Scripture must support and agree with each prophecy.

The gift of prophecy edifies, exhorts, and comforts (read I Corinthians 14:3); helps us build up or strengthen; and should lead us to the Word of God.

Prophecy is divinely inspired and anointed utterance; a supernatural proclamation in a known language. It is the manifestation of the Spirit of God - not of intellect (I Corinthians 12:7), and it may be possessed and operated by all who have the infilling / baptism of the Holy Spirit (I Corinthians 14:31)

Intellect, faith, and will are operative in this gift, but its exercise is not intellectually based. The bottom line is this: It is calling forth words from the Spirit of God. The gift of prophecy operates when there is high worship (read - I Samuel 10:5-6), when others prophets are present (read - I Samuel 10:9-10), and when hands are laid on you by ministers (read Acts 19:1-6).

Please take some time to read an article entitled "**Utterance Gifts and the Believer's responsibility.**" It will bless you and give you a great understanding of this great gift.

UTTERANCE GIFTS 2 & 3

(A gift manifestation that SPEAKS something.)

Tongues And Interpretation (1 Corinthians 12:10)

Tongues are Spirit-directed languages from heaven. They are unknown, even to the one who speaks them. When people speak in tongues the Holy Spirit anoints them and they are spiritually edified (strengthened and built up) through union with God. This edification happens without one ever knowing what is said. Such edification is experienced individually by the one who prays in tongues.

The Holy Spirit edifies the church body of believers much differently. For the entire group of believers to be edified, tongues must be followed with an interpretation (1 Corinthians 14:4). The interpretation of tongues is given in the language of the congregation. It encourages the people and moves them to praise and worship the Lord. The interpretation is not necessarily word for word. Rather it expresses what the Spirit is saying in a way that is clear and understood by all. This is necessary in any translation. For example, Psalm 23:1 is only four words in Hebrew, but it consists of nine words in English in the King James Version and eleven words in the New International Version.

Some say the gift of tongues is not important for it is mentioned last. However, the order in the various lists is not always the same. All the gifts are important.

The apostle Paul did not neglect tongues for he said, "I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you" (1 Corinthians 14:18). In the same chapter he also said, "*Do not forbid speaking in tongues*" (14:39). Paul asked only that "*everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way*" in the worship service (14:40).

The whole Bible from Genesis to Revelation emphasizes that **God is a speaking God**. Perhaps that is one reason why Paul in 1 Corinthians 12 to 14 gives so much attention to tongues, interpretation, and prophecy, with special emphasis on the importance and value of **prophecy** to edify the believers and touch the hearts of unbelievers. That is what happened when Peter stood up to speak on the Day of Pentecost. He spoke as he was inspired by the Spirit. Peter didn't prepare or develop the message beforehand. The Holy Spirit **spoke through him as a gift of prophecy**. As a result 3,000 were saved and added to the Church.

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If there was a time we ever needed to hear from God, it is **NOW!** As the church that Christ established over 2000 years ago, we must get back to our heritage of being people of God's spirit, who move with "the Spirit" in the gifts so that the body of Christ may be edified and that the world may witness the wonders of our God and believe in the one whom we love and serve. His name is JESUS! May God bless you abundantly! - PJ

REVIEW QUESTIONS - LESSON 4

1. According to 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11, why is the manifestation of the Spirit given to the believer? p.34

2. Explain what the phrase “**distributing to each one individually as He wills**” means to you in 1 Corinthians 12: 11? p.34

3. List below the 3 different categories the “**gifts of the spirit**” and their meaning. p.35

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

4. The word of wisdom is the supernatural ability to do what? p.36

5. The word of knowledge is a supernatural revelation by the Spirit of God concerning what? p.37

6. The discerning of spirits is the supernatural ability given by the Holy Spirit to perceive the source of a spiritual manifestation and determine what? p.38

7. Name 2 POSITIVES for people who are used in the gift of faith. p.40

- a. _____
- b. _____

8. Regarding the gift of “**the gifts of healings**”, finish the statement listed below. p.41
“The gift of healing is not for the one who ministers the gift, _____”

9. **True or False:** A miracle is remarkable or surprising event that happens by the indirect intervention of God, not by following the general known laws of nature.

REVIEW QUESTIONS - LESSON 4

10. What distinguishes the difference between a healing and a miracle? p. 44

11. **True or False:** If a person is used in the gift of working miracles, they should avoid viewing this gift as a personal responsibility, remembering that God determines the location and timing of using the gifts? p. 44

12. In regards to “the gift of prophecy” what is the bottom line concerning its implementation? p.45

13. How is the gift of tongues different in operation when used in a public setting than when a person is alone? p.46

Q. What were some things you learned in this lesson that you didn't know before about the Pentecostal Church and the gifts of the Holy Spirit?
