

MOVING IN THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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Your specific purpose, as far as serving in the Body goes, is determined by your spiritual gift. These are your Ministry gifts.

When the Church gathers, God may mightily use you to manifest ANY gift, though that might not be your ministry gift or gifts that you steward all the time.

Also, remember that:

- Your ministry gifts will vary in their effects. That is God's business not yours.
- They are gifts and not rewards.
- They are for the common good - for the edification of others.

They are tools, and like any tools, you either use them or lose them so stir up your gifts!

There are two categories of gifts – Sign and Service

The Sign Gifts

- 1) Prophecy
- 2) Words of Knowledge
- 3) Words of Wisdom
- 4) Gift of Faith
- 5) Discernment of Spirits
- 6) Working of Miracles
- 7) Speaking in Tongues
- 8) Interpretation of Tongues
- 9) Gifts of Healings

The Service Gifts

- 1) Administrations or “steerings” (1 Corinthians 12:28)
- 2) Helps (1 Corinthians 12:28)
- 3) Service (Romans 12:7)
- 4) Exhortation (Romans 12:8)
- 5) Leadership or Ruling (Romans 12:8)
- 6) Giving (Romans 12:8)
- 7) Mercy (Romans 12:8)
- 8) Teaching (Romans 12:7)

How do you get the gifts?

- 1) God gives everyone at least one at their new birth and can sovereignly give others to you.
- 2) We are told to desire earnestly the gifts. Therefore, others can come through prophecy and/or the laying on of hands. In other words, an impartation.

How do I discover my gifts?

- 1) The church, especially the leadership, will affirm it. Never operate in your gift apart from being under authority and covering
- 2) Find a need and meet it.
- 3) What's in your heart?
 - 1 John 5:19-20. Because He loves you He will show you all things

SERVICE GIFTS

ADMINISTRATIONS

Meaning “to steer”

- Detail
- Know how to organize and make things happen
- Self-starters
- Love untangling things

HELPS

The word translated “helps” means literally “to relieve, succor, participate in, and/or support.”

I believe that when people have the gift of helps, they really do not wait to be asked to do things. They see a need and they just plug in and fill that need.

So Joshua did as Moses said unto him" (Exodus 17:10).

In the Old Testament, we find Gehazi was the servant of Elisha and he would do Elisha's bidding. He was helping Elisha

Timothy

- Helping may be related to providing assistance in a way as to enable another to accomplish their ministry task.
- Often an entrée gift into the sign gifts
- An all-purpose gift - the gift of an assistant

SERVICE

- Alert to practical needs
- Has joy in the task
- Usually loves to be with people
- Very sacrificial

EXHORTATION

- Want to see others grow
- Always want to build others up
- Don't give up on people
- Just knows to say the right thing

LEADERSHIP or RULING

- Is in charge and everyone knows it
- Gatherer
- Can rally the people
- Go before
- Heroic
- Worship leaders are an example

GIVING

- Love to sow into
- Make wise investments
- See financial needs others don't see

MERCY

- Never wants to give up on a person
- They feel the joy and distress of others
- Want to alleviate hurt in others
- Very tactful with other, not blunt

TEACHING

- Loves to study scripture
- Loves the detail
- Will take any opportunity to teach
- What he or she says carries an authority
- Teachers are “the way, the truth, and the life” people