

God's Power on Display - The Gifts of the Spirit

Week Three

1 Corinthians 12:1-11 - Two words are used commonly in speaking of the gifts:

- _____ – gift of _____. Being a gift, it cannot be _____ but is freely given by God to His children. A gift is not a _____ for good behavior, but a _____ of relationship.
- Phanerosis – _____ = a showing forth, a making visible, or making _____; a _____ or _____. This word shows the gifts of the Spirit to be the ministry of Jesus shown through His people today.
- Both these words 'gifts' and 'manifestation' together, give us a _____ of the work of Holy Spirit!

The Holy Spirit displays God's _____ through each of us as a means of helping the entire church. TLB

- 1. Words of Wisdom** – Supernatural insight into the true nature of things. Godly wisdom is the ability to evaluate a situation in the light of a spiritual truth and discern with wise analysis a biblical solution for decision making. This person demonstrates this supernatural ability effectively to situations in their own life as well as others.
- 2. Words of Knowledge** – Means "a seeking to know, an inquiry, an investigation of facts". These people have the supernatural ability to explain truth. They accumulate and analyze truth in order to take what is difficult and clarify. Mr. Strong and Dr. Zodiotes are good examples. These people enjoy studying and reading quite a bit in order to learn biblical truth. Words of Knowledge are also revelations from the Lord that open doors of ministry in the hearts of others for the purpose of an encounter with Him!
- 3. Faith** – We are all to have faith. This gift is the supernatural ability to believe God beyond the realm of faith by which every child of God is to live. This gift results in having extraordinary confidence in God and it enables that person through prayer to tap God's resources on behalf of others. They are visionaries and inspire others to believe God is Who He says He is and can do what He says He can do!
- 4. Healings** – A supernatural ability to minister health to the sick. Healings extend to the body, mind and emotions apart from natural means. People in effective healing prayer and deliverance ministry exercise this gift. Healings can be progressive like physical therapy.
- 5. Miracles** – The supernatural ability to call upon God to perform miracles in specific situations. The Greek describes it as "works of power" and implies instantaneous results. Examples: creative miracles such as growth of limbs, ear drums, straightening of spines; raising from the dead; driving out demons from territories and situations.
- 6. Prophecy** – The supernatural ability to receive and communicate an immediate message from the mind and heart of God with clarity and power. They speak words that comfort, encourage, guide, warn, or instruct the Body of Christ. Prophets would be wise to test their message against Scripture prior to delivering the message, and using Scriptural precedent in delivery of their message.
- 7. Discernment/Distinguishing of spirits** – The supernatural ability to clearly distinguish a person's spiritual character and the source of their actions and messages; such as from Holy Spirit, a persons' new spirit, or their soulish desires or from the enemy.
- 8. Tongues** – The supernatural ability to speak in a language never learned in order to communicate a message of God to others usually in public meetings. This gift is delivered or given to the listeners, and they are edified by the gift of interpretation which follows. This gift is often a sign to the unbeliever motivating them to accept Jesus (1 Cor 14:22).
- 9. Interpretation of Tongues** – The supernatural ability to interpret or explain the message of the person speaking in tongues.

The Five Fold Ministry Gifts – Ephesians 4:1-16. **The Serving Gifts** – Romans 12:1-8; 1 Corinthians 12:28

Many are taught not to believe the Manifestation Gifts are for today:

1. Their pastors were trained as _____
2. Their pastors were trained as _____

They are _____ and _____ by Use

- Matthew 28:18-20 –
- Acts 10:38 –
- Romans 11:29 –
- 1 Peter 4:7-12 –

They Have _____ Purpose

- John 2:11 –
- 2 Thessalonians 1:11-12 –
- 1 Corinthians 12:7 -

Supernatural IS _____ Christianity

- Colossians 1:9-12 –
- 1 John 2:26-28 –
- Ephesians 3:20 -

Going Deeper: To the degree believers are in agreement with God and His Kingdom, determines the level of experience they have with Him and the level of powerful anointing they carry. If we are not experiencing the supernatural things of the Lord, the issue is most likely something in our belief system that does not line up with His character, His ways, His nature, His word, and the precedents He has already established and demonstrated.

This week, meditate on the scriptures referenced in this lesson. Which gifts do you dream of operating in? Ask Holy Spirit to increase your faith and confidence in Him. What is your role in operating in spiritual gifts and what is His role? Ask Holy Spirit to give you revelation and understanding. Identify any area of unbelief and repent. Come into agreement with Him, and record what He reveals to you.