



PART 5: GIFTED PART 2

Sermon Notes

Text: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Introduction

Spiritual Gift: Any ability that is empowered by the Holy Spirit and used in any ministry of the church, whether in a church service, or in our ministry to the world.

1. The Gifts have their root in God's grace

Gift = Charisma
Charis = Grace

Romans 12:6

2. The gifts, in unity, shape the church into the body of Christ

- i. Miraculous Gifts
- ii. Serving Gifts
- iii. Revelatory Gifts

3. Gifts must be expressed in an orderly way

1 Corinthians 14:39-40

1 Corinthians 14:1-5

Acts 2:17-18 (Joel 2:28-29)

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The Gift of Prophecy

Hebrews 1:1-2

1 Corinthians 14:3

Prophecy should be encouraging, strengthening, comforting. Not judgmental, not demanding, not authoritative.

1 Corinthians 14:40

1 Corinthians 14:32

Conclusion:

Life Group Discussion

Warm up:

1. Do you know what your spiritual gifts are? If not, ask around the room to see if anyone else has any insights on your gifts.
2. If you have time, do the Spiritual Gifts assessment as a group and share your results.

Study & Discussion:

1. What is your experience with the gift of prophecy? Do you think you have ever prophesied? Have you heard someone prophesy? How can prophecy be helpful for the church?
 - Read Acts 2:17-18. This is a quote from Joel 2:28-29. Peter is claiming that Joel's prophecy was coming true on the Day of Pentecost. Peter (Joel) seem to be claiming that the result of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit is that *everyone* will be able to prophesy. Do you agree with that interpretation?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-26. What do Spiritual gifts have to do with being the "Body of Christ"? Are churches well known for being in unity? What makes it hard? How can we be better?
3. What does it mean to have "orderly" worship (1 Corinthians 14:40). Have you experienced "disorderly" worship? How do we balance having order with leaving room for the Holy Spirit to work?

Application:

1. How can your Life Group encourage the use of the gift of prophecy at your meetings?

Prayer:

1. Spend time praying for each other to be filled with the Holy Spirit, and to begin displaying the Gifts of the Spirit
2. Other Requests
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