

Discovering and Developing Your Personal Ministry

Spiritual Gifts Defined

COPRORATE GIFTS

Worship: A spiritual gift whereby the Spirit moves certain Christians to enter into an act of worship through prayer, songs, words or actions, and to lead others into worship. {John 4:21-24, Heb 13:15-16}

Prayer / Intercession: The special gift whereby the Spirit encourages certain Christians to seek the presence and hearing of God on behalf of others. {Rom 8:34, Heb 7:25}

Discernment: The special gift whereby the Spirit enables certain Christians to know with assurance whether some behavior (motivation) is of God or not. {1 Cor 2:9-16}

Hospitality: The gift whereby the Spirit enables certain Christians to open their homes and lives willingly and cheerfully to other people. {Gen 18:1-15, Lev 19:33-34}

LEADERSHIP GIFTS

Apostleship: A person that has been set apart, appointed by God, to act as an ambassador of the Gospel and to act as a testimony for the truth.

Administration: The God-given ability to give guidance and direction in the body's life and order by managing the affairs of the church or church organization.

Leadership: The special gift whereby the Spirit enables some to motivate, direct and inspire God's people in such a way that they voluntarily and harmoniously work together to do the church's work effectively.

SPEAKING GIFTS

Evangelist: A spiritual gift whereby the Spirit enables the Christian to share the gospel with unbelievers in such a way that the unbeliever becomes a disciple of the Lord Jesus.

Teacher: Able to understand and communicate the truths of God in a way that allows another to learn. Imparting knowledge or transferring information.

Pastor: The shepherd of a flock. Someone who guides, feeds, nurtures, protects and oversees a group.

HEART GIFTS

Mercy: The special gift whereby the Spirit enables some to feel exceptional empathy and compassion for those who are suffering so that they devote themselves to alleviate it.

Encouragement: The special gift whereby the Spirit enables some to stand beside fellow Christians in need and bring comfort, counsel and exhortation so they feel helped.

Faith: A spiritual gift whereby the Spirit provides Christians with extraordinary confidence in God's promises, power and presence so that they can take heroic stands for the future of God's work in the church.

HANDS GIFTS

Giving: A spiritual gift whereby the Spirit moves certain Christians to recognize opportunity, and then to give from their resources to meet the needs of others.

Helps: The special gift whereby the Spirit empowers some to come alongside others in doing tasks and activities that support them and their ministry. Also called Service.

SIGN GIFTS

Miracles: Being used by God to testify when He alters the course of nature for His purposes.

Tongues: Praying and speaking in the Holy Spirit in a language that hasn't been learned.

Interpretation: Able to interpret the words given by the Holy Spirit in a way that others can understand.

Prophecy: Speaking the Word of God to a group or individual. To stand on the wall, to see and to cry out.

Healing: Being used by God to bring physical and / or spiritual healing to a person.