



Combating Spiritual Ignorance in the Church
1 Corinthians 12:1-11

SPIRITUAL GIFTS AND SPIRITUALITY

1 Corinthians 12:1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ²You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit. ⁴Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.

1. True spirituality is often misunderstood **12:1**

2. The Holy Spirit would never lead someone to curse Jesus, but only to exalt Him **12:2-3**

3. The same God produces all the variety of spiritual gifts, ministries, and effects seen in the Church **12:4-6**
 “gifts”-
 “service”-
 “activities”-

4. God’s Spirit distributes a wide variety of spiritual gifts to believers for the good of the Church **12:7-11**
 - A. Spiritual gifts are distributed for a purpose **11:7**
 - B. Spiritual gifts are very diverse **11:8-10**
 - C. Spiritual gifts are given to every believer **11:11**
 - D. Spiritual gifts are sovereignly bestowed **11:11**

| NEW TESTAMENT LISTS OF SPIRITUAL GIFTS | | | | |
|--|---------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------|
| I Cor. 12:8-11 | I Cor. 12:28 | Rom. 12:6-8 | Eph. 4:11 | I Pet. 4:9-11 |
| Word of wisdom | Apostles | Prophecy | Apostles | Hospitality |
| Word of knowledge | Prophets | Service | Prophets | Speaking |
| Faith | Teachers | Teaching | Evangelists | Service |
| Gifts of healings | Workers of miracles | Exhortation | Pastors | |
| Working of miracles | Helps | Giving | Teachers | |
| Prophecy | Administration | Leadership | | |
| Distinguishing of spirits | Kinds of tongues | Showing of mercy | | |
| Kinds of tongues | | | | |
| Interpretation of tongues | | | | |

THE GIFTS

The Gift of WISDOM: *Unique insight into people and situations that includes an understanding of how God’s Word is best applied and the ability to speak this clearly into the situation.*

Do you have this gift?

The Gift of KNOWLEDGE: *The desire and ability to research, remember, and make effective use of a variety of information on a number of diverse subjects.*

Do you have this gift?

The Gift of FAITH: *An extraordinary confidence in God that is unshakable despite obstacles, and includes the special ability to confidently ask and believe God for things that will advance God’s purposes, even when others think it impossible.*

Do you have this gift?

CLOSED CIRCUIT FOR NEW LIFE CHURCH:

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- 2.
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| Bible Reading Plan | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sun.: Job 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> Mon.: Job 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Tues.: Job 4 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wed.: Job 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> Thurs.: Job 38 | <input type="checkbox"/> Fri.: Job 39 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sat.: Job 40 | | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun.: Job 41 |

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