

HELP: We need it. God gives it.

Getting to Know the Holy Spirit

HELP: I Want to Do Something Important

The Spirit gives gifts to enable us to do just that

1 Corinthians 12:1 – 13:13

¹Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be ignorant... ⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. ⁶There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men.

1. The Spirit gives gifts for *SERVICE*

³...No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

To God: "Jesus is Lord"

To People: Christians serve without charging.

⁸To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues.

To Communicate

To Support

To Organize

To Demonstrate

²⁷Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. ²⁸And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues.

2. The Spirit gives gifts to *EACH ONE* of us for the benefit of all of us

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good...¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines.

For wholeness and completeness

For effectiveness in ministry and service

¹⁸But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. ¹⁹If they were all one part, where would the body be? ²⁰As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

No envy

No arrogance

3. What gift(s) has the Spirit given me?

It will probably be something you like to do.

It will be something that God affirms through others.

4. And now I will show you the most EXCELLENT way. (13:1)

¹If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.

1. Love in Jesus' way: genuinely and tangibly

2. Respond to a need or a situation that moves you.

3. Receive from the Spirit the gift(s) you need to do what needs to be done.

Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them. (Romans 12:6)