

February 21, 2016  
I Corinthians 12:1-11

## **THE HOLY SPIRIT AND SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

### **I. Introduction: We Will Explore These Questions concerning Spiritual Gifts**

- Who has them?
- When do you get them?
- What Are They?
- How do you get them?
- What is your spiritual gift?

### **II. Who Has Them?**

Answer: You do, You are gifted by God

Illustration: A Rabbit On The Swim Team

### **III. When Do You Receive Spiritual Gifts?**

Answer: The Moment You Receive Christ

### **IV. What is a Spiritual Gift?**

Answer: A Spiritual Gift is a special gift, that is given by the Holy Spirit, to every member of the body of Christ, according to God's grace, for use within the context of the Body of Christ, so that the church can grow and mature and that God be honored and glorified.

## **V. What Are The Spiritual Gifts?**

Answer: See Romans 12:6-8; I Corinthians 12-14; Ephesians 4:7-12; and I Peter 4:7-9

## **VI. What Is Your Spiritual Gift?**

A. Self-Quiz: On A Scale Of 1-10, where are you?

- Gift of Service:
- Gift of Helps:
- Gift of Encouragement:
- Gift of Giving:
- Gift of Teaching
- Gift of Pastoring:
- Gift of Mercy:
- Gift of Hospitality:
- Gift of Leadership
- Gift of Administration:
- Gift of Wisdom:
- Gift of Evangelism:
- Gift of Prophecy:

This list is not complete. But, you may have a lead now, evaluate, discover, develop, and deploy it.

I Peter 4:7, “as each has received a gift, employ it, use it for the glory of God.”

**POINTS TO PONDER**  
**Week of February 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**I Corinthians 12:1-11**  
**The Holy Spirit And Spiritual Gifts**

**Open It**

1. \*What is one unique talent or ability you have (whether useful or pointless)?
2. How did you find out what your greatest interests were?

**Explore It**

3. \*Why did Paul give the Corinthians advice about spiritual gifts? (12:1)
4. What was the condition of the Corinthians when they were pagans? (12:2)
5. Why can someone speaking by the Spirit of God not say, "Jesus be cursed"? (12:3)
6. What is the only way a person can say, "Jesus is Lord"? (12:3)
7. \*What common element exists in the diversity of gifts, service, and working? (12:4-6)
8. Who works through the various gifts Christians have? (12:4-6)
9. Who is given the manifestation of the Spirit? (12:7)
10. For whose good is the manifestation of the Spirit given? (12:7)
11. \*What spiritual gifts did Paul describe? (12:8-10)

12. Who determines how the gifts are distributed? (12:11)

### **Get It**

13. How are we ignorant about spiritual gifts today?
14. \*What spiritual gifts have you seen used in your local church?
15. What happens when Christians do not use their gifts?
16. \*What person you know would be encouraged by the knowledge that God gives a spiritual gift to every Christian?
17. What is your spiritual gift?
18. If you do not know what your spiritual gift is, what can you do to find out?
19. How can you use your spiritual gift for the good of the people in your church?
20. What spiritual gifts have you seen in the lives of other Christians?
21. What can you learn from other Christians who faithfully use their spiritual gifts?
22. What Christian discouraged by failure can you challenge to use the gifts God has given him or her?

### **Apply It**

23. \*How can you use your spiritual gift this week for the benefit of others in your church?
24. What observation could you share with another Christian to help him or her identify or use a spiritual gift?