

Grace Valley Bible Church
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Study: 2025 Spiritual Gifts (#2)

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Text: **1 Cor.12:7-11**
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Lesson: HOLY SPIRIT DISTRIBUTION OF GIFTS

We have divided 1 Cor.12:1-31 into four sections of study.

12:1-6 – Godhead involvement with Spiritual Gifts.

12:7-11 – Holy Spirit *distribution* of Gifts.

12:12-27 – Lord's *direction* of all ministries of spiritual gifts.

12:28-31 -God's *dispersion* of divine production of gifts according to plan of God

Remember Paul wrote **1 Cor.12-14** to clear up doctrinally problem related to Spiritual Gifts.

“Now concerning the things about which you wrote.” (1 Cor.7:1; 7:25; 8:1; **12:1**; 15:1; 16:1; and 16:12/ **7 times**).

This week we will study **FIVE aspects** of the Holy Spirit Distribution of Gifts.

1. In **1 Cor.12:7**, Paul introduced the Holy Spirit's Distribution of Spiritual Gifts – *“But to each one (hekastos/ adjective/ dsm) is given (didomi/ p.p.ind.3ps) the manifestation (he phanerosis/ visible/ nsf) of the Spirit for the commons good (to sumphero/ p.a.ptc.asn).”*

“To each one goes back to 12:6 (all persons). Every CAB (church age believer) is given a spiritual gift at salvation by Holy Spirit. Therefore, there are no spiritually ungifted CAB (1 Cor.1:7).

Notice your Spiritual Gift is The **Manifestation (the visible manifestation)** ministry of Indwelling Holy Spirit.

Notice your Spiritual Gift is for the **Common Good of the church body** and NOT for yourself.

Notice that GIVEN is a main verb (didomi/ **p.p.ind.3ps**) and FOR THE COMMON GOOD is (**p.a.ptc**) working with the main verb.

2. Now Paul lays out the distribution of **nine Spiritual Gifts** grammatically in **12:8-10** with the **Greek hos men-de sequence**.

“For to one (hos/ relative pronoun plus men) is given (didomi/ p.p.ind.3ps/ same grammar as 12:7) word of wisdom through the Spirit,” (12:8a)

“And (de of sequence) to another (allos/ alternative pronoun) word of knowledge according to the same Spirit,” (12:8b)

Note no (de) - [**“To another (heteros/ different kind) faith** by the same Spirit,” (12:9a)]

“And (de) another (allos) gifts of healings by the one Spirit,” (12:9)

“**And (de)** to another (allos) the **effects (working) of miracles,**” (12:10a)

“**And (de)** to another (allos) **prophecy,** (12:10b)

“**And (de)** to another (allos) **distinguishing or discerning spirits,** (12:10c)”

Note no (de) [“to another (**heteros**) **various kinds of tongues,** (12:10d)]

“**And (de)** to another (allos) **interpretation of tongues**” (12:10e). In 12:10, Paul closed the men-de sequence with a **semi-colon**.

In **12:11, Paul** concluded the listing of the Nine Gifts with “*But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to **each one (hekastos/ 12:7) individually (idios) just as He wills.**”*

Paul has identified **9 spiritual gifts** (12:8-10) causing problems in the Corinthian church (1 Cor.12-14). “*Now concerning the things about which you wrote (1 Cor.7:1; 12:1/ Spiritual Gifts).*”

3. These 9 Spiritual Gifts were vitally important for writing of NC Scriptures and for establishing the NC Church in the world.

It would serve you well to recognize that Paul put them in **four sets** before we get to 1 Cor.13.

- Word of wisdom and word of knowledge
- **Different** faith (not Rom.10:17/ 1 Cor.13:2), gifts of healings and effecting of miracles
- Prophecy and discerning spirits
- **Different** kinds of tongues (languages/ Acts 2:8-13) and interpretation of tongues.

4. In 1 Cor.12:28-30, Paul used the **men sequence with numerical system (first, second, third, and then in groupings).**

When we count spiritual gifts in 12:8-10 (**9** gifts), we get **4** additional ones in 12:28-30: **apostle, teacher, helps, and administration** for total of **13 gifts**.

When we compare these to Rom.12:6-8, we get **5** additional ones: **service, exhortation, giving, leading mercy** for **new total of 18**.

5. When we compare these to Eph.4:11, we get **1** additional gift: **evangelist** for **19 gifts**.

In Eph.4:11, Paul used Greek grammar of **men sequence with tous** (definite article) to identify 4 not 5 spiritual gifts. “*And He gave **some as (tous/ men) apostles, and some as (tous/ de) prophets, and some as (tous/ de) evangelists, some as (tous/ de) pastors and (kai/ adjunctive conjunction of nouns) teachers (didaskalos).** Eph.4:11-16 is one Greek sentence.*

*There is no Greek biblical word pastor. It is derived from Latin (pascere/ to feed as a shepherd). The Greek word is **poimen** (shepherd/ **John 21:15-17/** function to feed and tend to spiritual growth as **teachers (didaskalos)**. We call *1 and 2 Timothy and Titus*, the **Pastoral Epistles**.*