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Exalting, Equipping, Evangelizing

Bible Study

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Spiritual Gifts

Definition: Divine enablement for ministry that the Holy Spirit gives to all believers. These gifts are completely under His control and used for the building of the church and for unity within the church.

Lesson Objectives:

1. To make believers **aware** of spiritual gifts listed in the Bible. 1st Corinthians 12:1
2. To help believers **discover** what their spiritual gift or gifts are. 1st Corinthians 12:4-6
3. To encourage believers to **use** their gift in their local church. 1st Corinthians 12:7

Gift of the Tongues

Description: The divine enablement to receive a spontaneous message from God in public worship and to speak it in an unknown language that is then made known to the church through the gift of interpretation.

Scripture References: 1st Corinthians 12:10, 28-30; 13:1, 14:1-33; Acts 2:1-11

Distinctive People with this Gift:

- Express with an interpretation a word by the spirit, which edifies the church.
- Communicate a message given by God for the church.
- Speak in a language they have never learned or do not understand.
- Worship the Lord with unknown words too deep for the mind to comprehend.
- Experience an intimacy with God which inspires them to serve and edify others.

Traits: Worshipful, prayerful, responsive, trusting, devoted, and spontaneous.

Cautions, People with this Gift:

- Should remain silent in the church, if there is no gift of interpretation.
- Should avoid expecting others to manifest this gift which may cause inauthenticity of the Spirit.
- Should remember that all the gifts, including this one, are to edify others.

Could this be my spiritual gift? _____ Yes _____ No _____ Not sure.