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**Exalting, Equipping, Evangelizing**

Bible Study

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## **SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

**Definition:** Divine enablements 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 the spiritual gifts listed in the Bible.
2. To help believers discover what their spiritual gift or gifts are:
3. To encourage believers to use their gift in their local church.

### **Gift of Prophecy**

**Scripture References:** *Romans 12:6; 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 12:10; 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter 1:19-21*

**Description:** The divine enablement to reveal truth and proclaim it in a timely and relevant manner for understanding, correction, repentance, or edification.

**Distinctives:** People with this gift:

- Expose sin or deception in others for the purpose of reconciliation.
- Speak a timely word from God causing conviction, repentance, and edification.
- See truth that others often fail to see and challenge them to respond.
- Warn of God's immediate or future judgement if there is no repentance.
- Understand God's heart and mind through experiences He takes them through.

**Traits:** Discerning, compelling, uncompromising, authoritative, convicting, confronting

**Cautions:** People with this gift:

- Need to be aware that listeners may reject the message if not spoken with love and for their edification.
- Need to avoid pride, which can create a demanding or discouraging spirit that hinders the gift.
- Should remember that discernment and scripture must support and agree with each prophecy.

Could this be my spiritual gift? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Not Sure