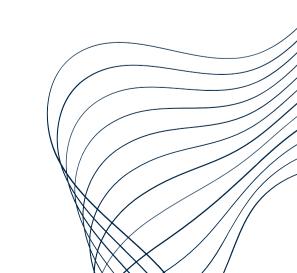




THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS HANDBOOK

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WHAT ARE SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Good News of the Kingdom not only in words, but in works of power that demonstrate truth of the words.

Charism (in Greek) meaning a gift freely bestowed. It is based on the word for "grace"- charis. Grace is the foundation of Christian life: God's favor freely bestowed on us in Christ, saving us from sin and death and giving us a share in His own divine life.

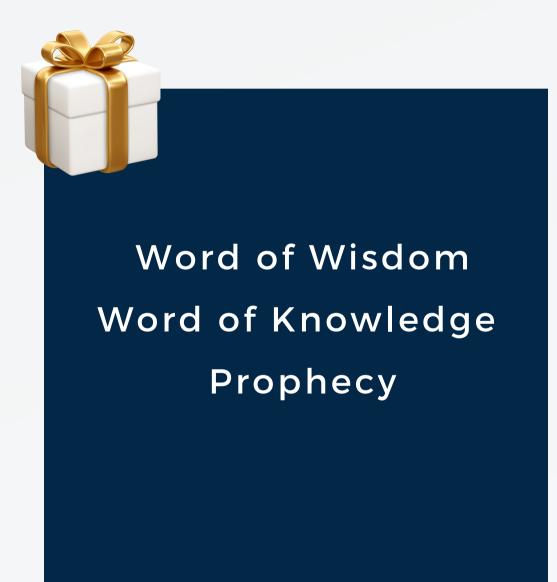
Apostle Paul was convinced of the power of the gifts to open peoples hearts to the Gospel of Good News!



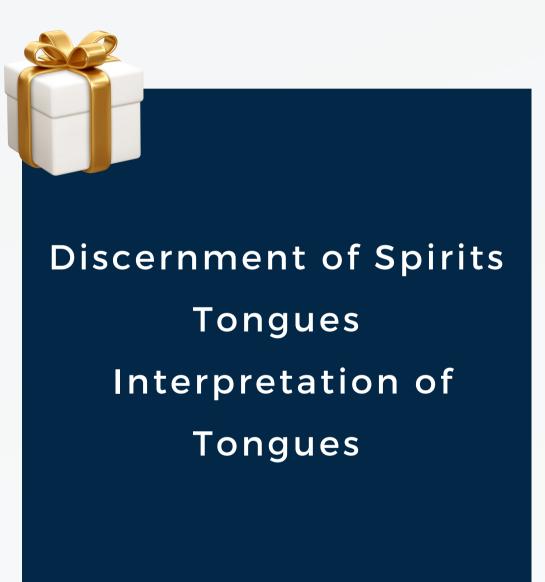


BIBLICAL GIFT LISTS

All gifts are powerfully effective for the building up of the Church.







"Gifts of Inspiration"



THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME

"The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord has anointed and commissioned me to bring good news to the humble and afflicted; He has sent me to bind up [the wounds of] the brokenhearted, to proclaim release [from confinement and condemnation] to the [physical and spiritual] captives and freedom to prisoners,

To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance and retribution of our God, to comfort all who mourn, to grant to those who mourn in Zion the following: to give them a turban instead of dust [on their heads, a sign of mourning], the oil of joy instead of mourning, the garment [expressive] of praise instead of a disheartened spirit.

So they will be called the trees of righteousness [strong and magnificent, distinguished for integrity, justice, and right standing with God], the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified." Isaiah 61:1-3 AMP





JESUS' MISSION STATEMENT

Jesus Christ understood this passage in Isaiah and Luke 4:17-21 as a prophecy of Himself. In the OT, the kings of Israel were anointed with oil, but the oil Jesus received for His mission was the Holy Spirit. This was the foundation for His mission, and the foundation for His disciples [including us]. It was [it is] to evangelize not only in words, but in deeds of power, and to restore human beings to the fullness of life that God intended for us.



OTHER GIFTS

Cursed the Fig Tree



- The gospels show Jesus using a great variety of gifts. On His way to Jerusalem, Jesus cursed a fig tree because He found no fruit on it. [Matthew 21:21-22, gift of faith]
- The fig tree was a symbol of Israel, and the fruit represented the response of **faith** and love that the Lord sought from His people.

- One evening Jesus said to His disciples, lets go over to the other side of the Sea of Galilee. They left the crowd, boarded a boat and a fierce windstorm began to blow, and waves were breaking over the boat, so that it was already being swamped.
- They woke Jesus from sleeping, asking do you not care that we are about to die. Jesus said to them, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith and confidence [in Me]?"

Calm the Storm









CLOTHED WITH POWER

- At the beginning of Acts [1:4-8], we find Jesus giving instruction to His disciples about the promised Holy Spirit. They were operating in their own strength, but they received power from the Holy Spirit to be witnesses of the Gospel, testify to all the known world, with accompanying miracles.
- As the believers began to walk in their new life in the Holy Spirit, "awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and sign were being done through them."
- The "hand" of God is a Jewish expression for God's manifest power. An answered prayer for boldness to speak God's Word in the face of persecution, God's hand to release His gifts of power.

"Soberly Intoxicated with God's power and love!"

SPIRITUAL GIFTS ACTIVATION

Word of Wisdom: It is practical. It involves knowing how to live and act rightly, in a way that is pleasing to God. A word of wisdom, then, refers to supernatural wisdom given in the moment that leads a person to make the right decision, or reply with the right answer, breakthrough and impasse, or know what to do in a particular situation.

Word of Knowledge: The gift of the word of knowledge refers to a supernatural knowledge of facts that does not come through study, research, experience, or any human means. Often, it involves knowledge of something God desires to do or is about to do in a particular situation.

