

Unity in the midst of Diversity of Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-12, 31; 13:1-3

- 12:1 Now about spiritual gifts
- 7:1 Now for the matters you wrote about
- 7:25 Now about virgins
- 8:1 Now about food sacrificed to idols
- 16:1 Now about the collection for the Lord's people

 Chapter 11 – 14: deals with problems connected to church worship

Chapters 12 – 14: Use of Spiritual Gifts

• Romans 12:6-8, "We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, if it is serving; if it is teaching; ⁸ if it is to encourage; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

- And in Ephesians 4:11-12, "So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up."
- 1 Peter 4:11, If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.

"charismata" meaning "Spirit-given graces or gift"





Ordained or called positions –ministry of Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, Teachers

- 2. Manifestation gifts supernatural demonstration to reveal power and presence of God
- Word of wisdom, word of knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecies, discerning of spirit, tongues, and interpretation of tongues

- 3. Motivational gifts every believer receives at least one
- Serving, exhortation (encouragement), giving, organizing (leadership), mercy; teaching, prophesying



Listing of Spiritual Gifts

Romans 12

Encouragement
Giving
Leadership
Mercy
Prophecy
Service
Teaching

1 Corinthians 12

Administration
Discernment
Healing
Interpretation of Languages
Languages
Prophecy
Wisdom

Apostle
Faith
Helps
Knowledge
Miracles
Teaching

Ephesians 4

Apostle Pastor Teaching Evangelism Prophecy

I Peter 4

Serving Teaching

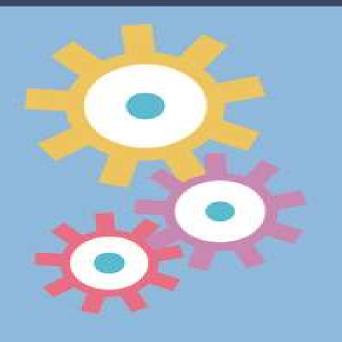
Principles

- God has given His Church spiritual gifts
- Discover and use these gifts

Spiritual Gift

Inventory

Administration	Knowledge
Craftsmanship	Leadership
Discernment	Mercy
Encouragement	Music
Evangelism	Pastor
Faith	Prayer
Giving	Teaching
Helps/Service	Wisdom
Hospitality	



The Body Has Many Members 1 Cor. 12:12-27

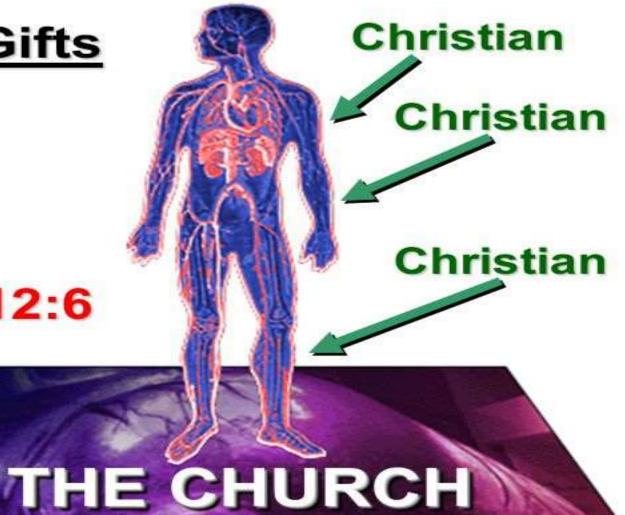
Miraculous Spiritual Gifts

- Different gifts 12:4
- Different ministries –

12:5

Different activities – 12:6

The Same Spirit, Lord & God!



- Not a member yet
- Too busy with work/family commitments.
- Do not have much time so weeknights/ends are precious
- Do not know enough information about opportunities available
- Do not know the spiritual gift

- Do not have skills required
- No one asked
- Came from another church because of burnt out
- Serving outside church
- Do not want to commit in advance
- Live too far away, struggle to get to church
- Staff is paid to serve

- Do not know anyone who is serving
- Serving is for young people
- Everything seems under control
- Offered to serve, no one followed up
- Served but felt unappreciated, hurt, disappointed, burn out, dry
- Do not get anything out of it



LOVE: THE MOST EXCELLENT WAY

-1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:1-3

Are you expecting results when serving?