

## Spiritual Gifts

### Part 3 – What is Your Part in the Body

1 Corinthians 12:4-11; Rom 12:6-8; I Pet 4:10,11

#### Introduction

- A. The church body is viewed in two ways:
1. The u\_\_\_\_\_ body of Christ – when a person trusts Christ, that person immediately becomes part of this body, regardless of denomination or location.
    - a. 1 Cor 12:13 – *for by one Spirit, we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks...*
    - b. Matt 16:18 – Jesus stated that He would build His church and the gates of hell will not overpower it.
  2. The l\_\_\_\_\_ body of Christ – made up of believers in Christ who are gather together regularly (1 Cor 1:2; Gal 1:2; 1 Thess 1:1).
- B. Today's focus is on your part in the local body of Christ
1. Goal 1 – d\_\_\_\_\_ your part in the body
  2. Goal 2 – d\_\_\_\_\_ your part diligently
  - 3.

#### Do not worry about the spectacular gifts of 1 Cor 12:8-10

- A. Spectacular gifts and the human will
1. 1 Cor 12:11 – the Holy Spirit distributes them t\_\_\_\_\_ to believers as He wills. The believer only has the gift for a particular situation.
  2. There is no f\_\_\_\_\_ of choice in exercising these spectacular gifts and a person cannot resist the Holy Spirit's will (e.g. prophecy as seen below).
- B. Spectacular gifts explained
1. Prophecy – the preaching of a direct message from God
    - a. 2 Pet 1:21 – no prophesy was ever made by an act of h\_\_\_\_\_ will; The Holy Spirit moved (compelled) the person to speak a message that came directly from God. So it was not the person's word, but God's word.
    - b. Jer 20:9 – Jeremiah tried to resist prophesying but he could not.
  2. Word of knowledge
    - a. Defined - A message from God that communicates s\_\_\_\_\_ knowledge
    - b. Example – God gave Peter knowledge of Ananias' and Sapphira's secret (Acts 5:3).

3. Word of wisdom
  - a. Defined – A message from God that communicates s\_\_\_\_\_ wisdom.
  - b. Example – God gave Paul the divine message to the guards to keep the sailors from abandoning ship so that the g\_\_\_\_\_ would not die (Acts 27:31).
4. Faith
  - a. Defined – a word given at the p\_\_\_\_\_ of God that results in some supernatural event.
  - b. Example – the three men declared to the king that God would deliver them even if the king threw them into the fiery f\_\_\_\_\_ (Dan 3:17).
5. Tongues
  - a. Defined – a message from God spoken to an unbeliever in a language one has never l\_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Example – the Holy Spirit gave 120 disciples the ability to speak of the mighty acts of God in the tribal language of the unbelievers who were present (Acts 2:4,8,11).
6. Interpretation of Tongues
  - a. Defined – a message from God to b\_\_\_\_\_ that interprets the “tongues” spoken to unbelievers. The person given this gift also has never learned the language.
  - b. Example – I Cor 14:27 is a safeguard against imitating the gift of tongues. True tongues is always followed by an interpretation of tongues.
7. Healing
  - a. Defined – the administration of an immediate supernatural c\_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Example
    - 1) Peter administered J\_\_\_\_\_ healing power (Acts 9:33)
    - 2) Paul left Trophimus behind in s\_\_\_\_\_ which shows that the gift of healing was not done by human will (2 Tim 4:20).
8. Miracles
  - a. Defined – healing has to do with people, where miracles have to do with t\_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Example – Aaron’s staff turned into a serpent which s\_\_\_\_\_ all the magicians’ serpents (Ex 7:8-12).
9. Distinguishing of Spirits
  - a. Defined
    - 1) It is not the same as t\_\_\_\_\_ the spirits which all believers are commanded to do (I Jn 4:1).

- 2) Distinguishing of spirits is k\_\_\_\_\_ whether a person is possessed or not without any tests.
- b. Example – Paul was followed by a demon-possessed slave girl for several days. Suddenly, he became a \_\_\_\_\_ and cast the demon out (Acts 16:16-19)

**Do pray about your part in the body**

- A. Pray about your g\_\_\_\_\_ part – take every opportunity to show l\_\_\_\_\_ to one another (this is an unselfish act that benefits another person).
- B. Pray about your s\_\_\_\_\_ part (see insert)
- C. Put feet to your prayers by being a good m\_\_\_\_\_ of your gift.