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Unwrapping My Spiritual Gifts

Romans 12:5-6

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Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be ignorant. 1 Corinthians 12:1 (NIV)

THREE GIFTS GOD GIVES ME WHEN I TRUST CHRIST

1. _____

The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 6:23

2. _____

...because God has poured out His love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom He has given us. Romans 5:5(NIV)

There he found some disciples and asked them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" They answered, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." Acts 19:2 (NIV)

3. _____

God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well. . . Romans 12:6 (LB)

The gifts we possess differ as they are allotted to us by God's grace, and must be exercised accordingly. Romans 12:5 (NEB)

Spiritual Gifts- Defined: A spiritual gift is an ability that is empowered by the Holy Spirit and used in any ministry of the Church

Purpose: Spiritual gifts are given to equip the church to carry out its ministry until Christ returns. **Gifts are tools for ministry, not necessarily related to Christian maturity.**

THE IMPORTANCE OF MY SPIRITUAL GIFTS

- They Shape my _____

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works in all of them. 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

- They Show my _____

All of you form the one Body of Christ and each one is a separate and necessary part of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27

- They Shape my _____

This is how my Father is glorified -- in your becoming fruitful and being my disciples. I have told you this so that you can share my joy and that your joy may be complete. John 15:8, 11 (Ph)

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO WITH MY GIFTS?

1. _____ **Them!**

... Eagerly desire spiritual gifts... 1 Corinthians 14:1

2. _____ **Them!**

Do not neglect the spiritual gift that is in you... 1 Timothy 4:14 (GN)

Fan into flame the gift God gave you... 2 Timothy 1:6 (JB)

3. _____ **Them!**

Each one should use whatever spiritual gift he has received to serve others faithfully managing God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:10

Why is it that He gives us these special abilities to do certain things best? It is that God's people will be equipped to do better work for him, building up the church, the Body of Christ to a position of strength and maturity. Ephesians 4:12 (LB)

Key question — What made the disciples so compelling to the crowds that gathered?

ANSWER: Acts 2:1-4 *When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.*

It was _____ they had with the person and power of H.S...

HOW DO I RECEIVE THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

1. **ASK**

For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. ...how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him! Luke 11:10 & 13

2. **BELIEVE**

Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him. By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. John 7:38-39

3. SPEAK

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues.... Acts 2:4

For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God. Acts 10:46