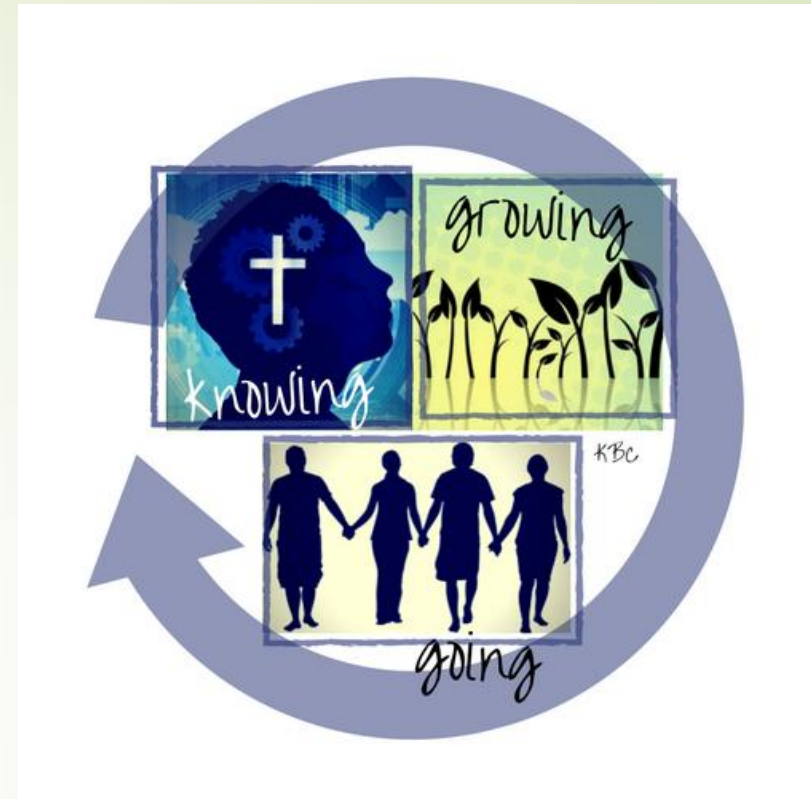




# Spiritual Gifts #2

The Nature of Spiritual Gifts



Do you know  
Jesus as your  
personal savior?

# The Greatest Commandment (building up in love)



Have you join a  
small group in  
fellowship and  
growing in  
Christ?

**Knowing**  
God—our  
**worship  
service**

**Growing**  
in Christ—  
**fellowship  
groups**

**Going to**  
Serve—  
**ministry  
teams**

Have you  
joined a  
ministry team  
to serve God  
with your  
spiritual gifts?

Unbelievers

New Believers

Mature Believer

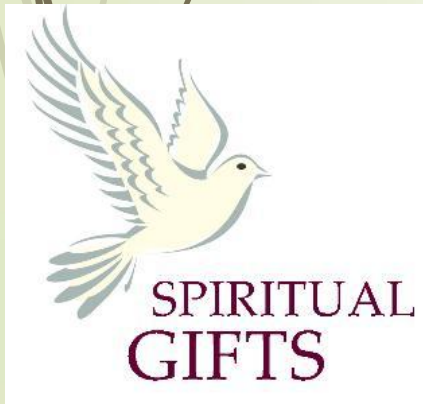
**The Great Commission (equipping the saints)**

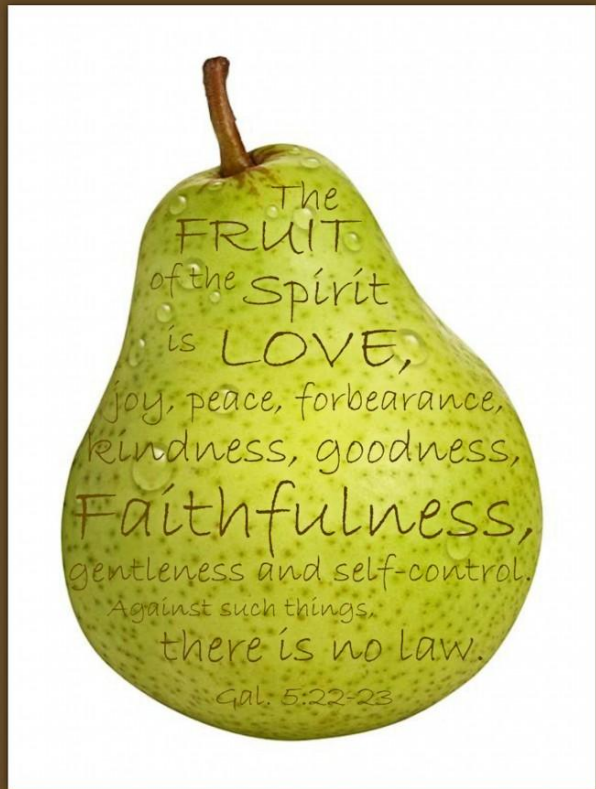
# What is Spiritual Gifts?

(from last lesson)



1. These are **spiritual** gifts from God (1 Cor. 12:1, 4)
2. These are gifts given by **grace** (Eph. 4:7; 1 Peter 4:10)
3. They are for **all believers** in the church (1 Peter 4:10; 1 Cor. 12:7, 11, 18)
4. It is given to **perform functions** in the church (Rom. 12:4-5; 1 Cor. 12:12-20)





- Note: **ALL** Christians has the Holy Spirit in them after conversion (John 14:17; 1 Cor. 3:16) Therefore they all have received spiritual gifts as well (ill: marriage brings)
- Moreover, spiritual gifts are not fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23). **Fruit** is a set of characters that mature believers developed, while **gifts** are blessings from God for the purpose of ministry
- Therefore, all mature Christians have the same fruit, but not the same gift

# Spiritual Gifts vs. Talents

	Natural Talents	Spiritual Gifts
Sources	From God through parents/mentors	From God alone
Possessed	From <b>birth</b> or special training	At <b>conversion</b> through the Holy Spirit
Purpose	To benefit mankind	To benefit the body of Christ
Process	Need to be <b>developed</b> and <b>exercise</b>	Need to be <b>recognized</b> and <b>exercise</b>
Function	Ought to be <b>dedicated</b> to God for His use and glory (Rom 12:1)	Ought to be <b>used</b> for the bride (church) and the groom (Christ)

# Spiritual Gifts



## Lists of Spiritual Gifts

- In the New Testament, there are four lists of spiritual gifts. (Rom. 12:6-8; 1 Cor. 12:4-11; 12:28-30; Eph. 4:7-12) Within these 4 lists, we can find 20 spiritual gifts.
- Each of these lists has a specific **theme**
- Many of them are recorded more than once
- Based on these four lists and the different functions of each gift, we can arrange them into three groups, which are **Support** gifts, **Service** gifts, and **Sign** gifts.

Romans 12:6-8	1 Corinthians 12:8-10	<b>I Corinthians 12:28</b>	Ephesians 4:11
1. Prophecy	1. Word of Wisdom	<b>I. Apostles</b>	1. Apostles
2. Service	2. Word of Knowledge	<b>II. Prophets</b>	2. Prophets
3. Teaching	3. Faith	<b>III. Teachers</b>	3. Evangelists
4. Exhortation	4. Gifts of Healing	<b>IV. Miracles</b>	4. Pastors Teachers
5. Giving	5. Working of Miracles	<b>V. Gifts of Healing</b>	
6. Leading	6. Prophecy	<b>VI. Helping</b>	
7. Showing mercy	7. Discerning of Spirits	<b>VII. Administrating</b>	
	8. Tongues	<b>VIII. Tongues</b>	
	9. Interpretation of Tongues	<b>**According to Importance** (1 Cor 12:21-24)</b>	

Support Gifts	Service Gifts	Sign Gifts
Apostles	<b>Faith</b>	Miracles
Prophets	<b>Teaching</b>	Healings
Evangelists	<b>Serving (ministry)</b>	Tongues
Pastors Teachers	<b>Exhortation (encouragement)</b>	Interpretation of Tongues
	<b>Giving</b>	Discerning of Spirits
	<b>Helping</b>	Word of Wisdom
	<b>Administration (government)</b>	Word of Knowledge
	<b>Leading (ruling)</b>	
	<b>Showing mercy</b>	



8. Oh, let me help you get up and clean it up **(helping)**

9. This can be a very good illustration for Spiritual Gifts **(teaching)** 😊

1. I'll go pick up a new cake **(giving)**

2. I am so sorry, are you all right? **(showing mercy)**

7. This can happen to anyone. I am sure you can do better next time **(exhortation)**




3. Andy, please keep the children downstairs for a bit. And we need a new plan for dessert... **(leading)**

6. We should get somebody to clean up the floor and I will go to the kitchen and see there's any cake left for the dinner **(administration)**

5. God must have something better than a cake for us **(faith)**

4. Let me go get the mop. I know where it is **(serving)**



## Which One Do You Have? (2 Tim. 1:6)

<b>Hand (phy.)</b>	<b>Heart (emo.)</b>	<b>Mind (intell.)</b>
<b>Giving</b>	<b>Showing Mercy</b>	<b>Leading</b>
<b>Serving</b>	<b>Faith</b>	<b>Administration</b>
<b>Helping</b>	<b>Exhortation</b>	<b>Teaching</b>

# Are You Ready to Go?



WHAT ARE MY...  
**Spiritual Gifts?**

- Be **Informed** (2 Tim. 3:16-17)
- Be **Available** (Mark 6:34; 2 Tim. 4:2)
- Be **Open** (1 Cor. 12:31)
- Be **Sensitive** (Pro. 11:14)
- Be **Busy** (2 Tim. 1:6; 1 Peter 4:10-11)

Do you know what gift(s) God has blessed you?

It is God's commandment that we exercise our spiritual gifts. What are you going to do?