The gifts of the Holy Spirit

23 1 Corinthians 12.1-11

- 1. Word of wisdom
- 2. Word of knowledge
- 3. Faith
- 4. Gifts of healings
- 5. Miracles
- 6. Prophecy
- 7. Discerning of spirits
- 8. Tongues
- 9. Interpretation of tongues

Distinguishing between Spirits

"Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

1 John 4.1



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Them/they = false prophets

You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. They are from the world and therefore speak from the viewpoint of the world, and the world listens to them. We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us; but whoever is not from God does not listen to us.

1 John 4.4-6a



By recognizing the Word of God!

This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehood."

1John 4.6b NIV

"Let me be blunt: If one of us—even if an angel from heaven!—were to preach something other than what we preached originally, let him be cursed.

I said it once; I'll say it again: If anyone, regardless of reputation or credentials, preaches something other than what you received originally, let him be cursed."

Galatians 1.8-9





Is it flesh? Or is it demonic?

"But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil."

Hebrews 5.14



"But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil."

Hebrews 5.14 NASB

The gift of tongues

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"Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given [...] to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines."

1 Corinthians 12.7, 10-11



"... anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to people but to God. Indeed, no one understands them; they utter mysteries by the Spirit."

1 Corinthians 14.2,4a



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.

Acts 2.1-4



Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.

Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? We hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!"



"... to another speaking in different kinds of tongues..."

1 Corinthians 12.10







"If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal."

1 Corinthians 13.1



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"But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life."

Jude 20-21



"I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you."

1 Corinthians 14.18



"I would like every one of you to speak in tongues..."

1 Corinthians 14.5a



"Now, brothers and sisters, if I come to you and speak in tongues, what good will I be to you, unless I bring you some revelation or knowledge or prophecy or word of instruction?"

1 Corinthians 14.6



"For this reason the one who speaks in a tongue should pray that they may interpret what they say. For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful."

1 Corinthians 14.13-15



"So if the whole church comes together and everyone speaks in tongues, and inquirers or unbelievers come in, will they not say that you are out of your mind?"

1 Corinthians 14.23



"Everything must be done so that the church may be built up. If anyone speaks in a tongue, two—or at the most three—should speak, one at a time, and someone must interpret. If there is no interpreter, the speaker should keep quiet in the church and speak to himself and to God."

1 Corinthians 14.26b-28



- 1. There's different kinds of tongues:
- 1a. Tongues that speak to people
- 1b. Tongues that speak to God
- 2. Speaking in tongues builds up our faith
- 3. We are to pray for the gift of tongues
- 4. We are to pray for the interpretation of tongues
- 5. Tongues used in public, only with interpretation
- 6. Without love, we've missed the point!

- 1 Corinthians 12.7
- Acts 2.4-8
- 1 Corinthians 14.2
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- 1 Corinthians 13.1, 14.5a
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Let's play!

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