

St. Stevens Bible Study

Developing & Using Our Spiritual Gifts

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We realize that the Holy Spirit is the 3rd person of the Holy Trinity. He is the one that Jesus Christ promised would bring us comfort. *“And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”* **John 14:16-17**

What does the Holy Spirit for us?

1. **He Convicts us-**

“He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light. ⁹ That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.” **John 16:8-9**

2. **HE Teaches us-**

“But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. **John 14:26**

3. **He Seals Us-**

“And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. **Ephesians 4:30**

4. **He Guides Us-**

“However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare *it* to you. **John 16:13-14.**

5. **He Intercedes for us-**

“Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groaning’s which cannot be uttered. ²⁷ Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit *is*, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God.* **Romans 8:26-27**

6. **He Empowers us-**

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me; in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” **ACTS 1:8**

The one main function of the Holy Spirit is to glorify Christ (John 16:14)... This is the same function that we as believers have. In everything that we do and say our purpose should be to glorify Christ. Another critical function of our service to the body and the

church is to mature and to grow up. The only way we can attain this goal is through the power of the Holy Spirit, as he empowers believers for the work of ministry. When this happens we then become an extension of God as we minister to each other in the body and the world at large...

The tools that the Holy Spirit empowers/ equips believers to do their service are called gifts. The function of the Spiritual Gift is service. They are meant to help us to **SERVE** as well as to **GROW**...

When searching for a list of Spiritual Gifts they are mainly found in three (3) location throughout Scripture:

Romans 12:6-8:

“Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, *let us use them*: if prophecy, *let us prophesy* in proportion to our faith; ⁷ or ministry, *let us use it* in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; ⁸ he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.”

Prophecy, Service/Serving, Teaching, Encouragement, One who gives, One who lends and One who shows Mercy

1 Corinthians 12-8-10:

“for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same^[a] Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another *different* kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues.

**A word of Wisdom, a word of Knowledge, Faith, Healings,
Working of Miracles, Prophecy, Distinguishing Spirits, Kinds of
Tongues and Interpretation of Tongues**

1 Corinthians 12:28-30:

“And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? ³⁰ Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret?”

**Apostle, Prophets, Teachers, Miracles Healings, Helps,
Guidance, Speaking in Tongues and Interpreting Tongues**

Ephesians 4:11:

“And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,”

Apostles, Prophets, Evangelist, Pastor-Teacher