KING OF GLORY

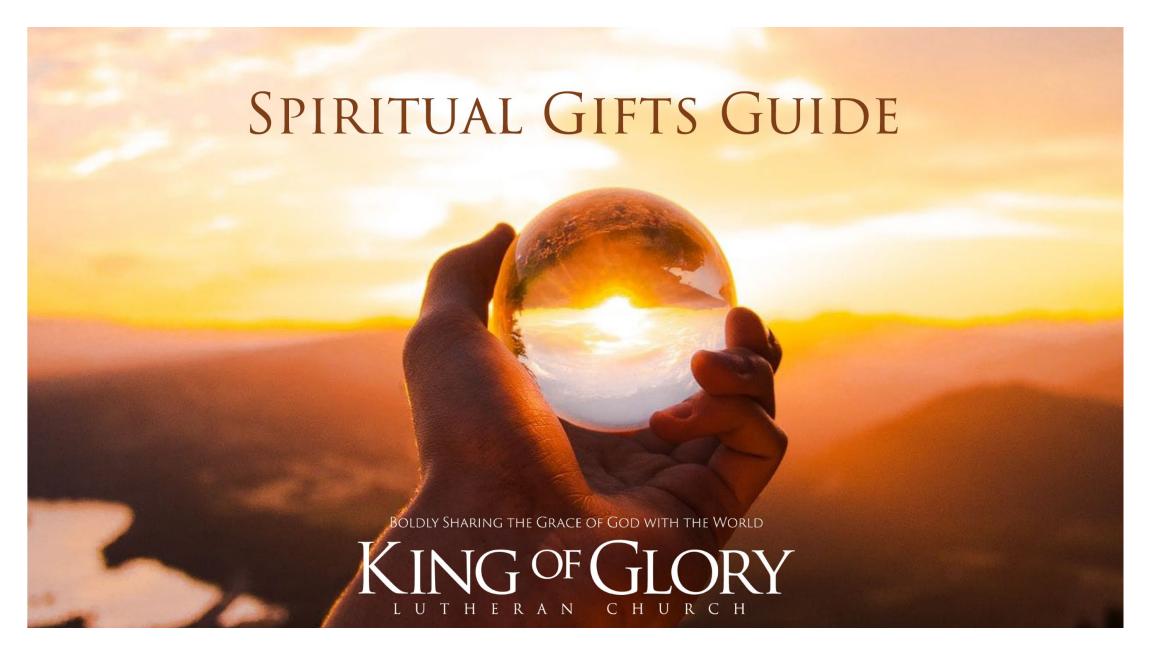
SPIRITUAL GIFT SESSION:

MERCY

March 25, 2025

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- Introductions and Opening Prayer
- Spiritual Gifts Overview Video
- Introduction to Mercy Gift
- Mercy Gift Conversation and Discussion
- Closing Thoughts and Prayer



SPIRITUAL GIFTS OVERVIEW

"There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord.

There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work."

1 Corinthians 12: 4-6



MERCY

The gift that motivates a believer to feel deeply for those in physical, spiritual, or emotional need and then act to meet that need.

People with this gift are usually empathetic, caring, responsive, kind, compassionate, sensitive, burden- bearing.

Cautions for people with this gift:

feeling "unappreciated" when the people they have helped don't show appreciation in expected ways; becoming defensive and angry about the sources of others' pain.

> BIBLICAL REFERENCES Luke 7:12–15, Luke 10:30–37, Matthew 25:34–36

Luke 7: 12-15

12 As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. 13 When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, "Don't cry."

14 Then he went up and touched the bier they were carrying him on, and the bearers stood still. He said, "Young man, I say to you, get up!" 15 The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother.

Luke 10: 30-37

³⁰ In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him......

Luke 10: 30-37 (continued)

.....³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

³⁶ "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?"

³⁷ The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

Matthew 25: 34-36

34 "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

MERCY CONVERSATION AND DISCUSSION

- How has the gift of Mercy showed up in your life?
- What is it like when you are sharing your gift?
- Will you tell us about a time when you ignored the calling of this gift and pushed back on it?
- We talked about cautions of the gift in what ways have you experienced personally, or seen someone else with this gift experience, any of the cautions?

NEXT STEPS

- How can we support you in using your spiritual gift?
- What would help you develop and grow in confidence using your spiritual gift?
- Other closing thoughts?

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