



Empowered

Week 5: Spiritual Gifts | Teacher: Libin Abraham

Sermon Questions for 3.30.2025

Opener

If you could learn another language, what other language would you want to be able to speak fluently?

Read

1 Corinthians 12:1; 1 Corinthians 1:7; 1 Corinthians 12:4–11, 28; Romans 12:6-8; Ephesians 4:11; 1 Peter 4:10-11; 1 Corinthians 14:1-3, 13-19, 23-25

Main Points

1. Here are the spiritual gifts listed in the New Testament:
 - a. Wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophesy, distinguishing between spirits, tongues, interpretation, helping, leadership (1 Corinthians 12:8-10)
 - b. Prophesy, service, teaching, exhortation, giving, leadership, mercy (Romans 12:6-8)
 - c. Apostles, evangelists, pastors, prophets, teachers (Ephesians 4:11)
2. The gifts of the Spirit are to glorify God and serve others. The times where the gifts have been misused used, it's when people use them to glorify self and serve self.
3. The reason for the gift you have is because that gift is what is needed in that moment for the common good of others and God's glory. Use the gifts of the Spirit freely and ask yourself - will this strengthen, encourage, or console.
4. The goal of our gatherings and small groups isn't to check a box or to fulfill a religious duty. We gather to encounter God through the Spirit in such a way that it is undeniable even to a non-believer that God's presence is here.

Engage with God in a Group

- What has been your experience with "spiritual gifts"?
- In what areas do you need to experience the empowering nature of the Holy Spirit in your life?
- Are you open to experiencing the Spirit's gifts in your relationships?
- How do you process these personal questions: Have I stopped desiring spiritual gifts? Do I use my gifts to serve people and glorify God? Have I given my life over to the mission of God where spiritual gifts are necessary?

Bottom Line

Spiritual gifts are the manifestations of the Holy Spirit to glorify God and to serve people.