



Spiritual Gifts Inventory

Discovering your Spiritual Gifts

A PERSONAL SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT INVENTORY

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God's Word says in 1 Peter 4:10 "As each one has received a special gift employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." This puts the matter very simply. We all have been given gifts from God that we are to use in serving one another. The purpose of this inventory is to help you determine what some of your spiritual gifts may be.

This exercise basically asks you to respond to 160 statements based on your interest and experience in certain gifts. Do not respond on the basis of what you think you ought to say. Rather respond to what interests you. Don't let modesty hinder you from agreeing with statements that are true of your abilities.

If you are not interested in a statement then mark with a "0" as "5" indicates a strong interest.

- 0 - Not Relevant, not interested
- 1 - Slight Response
- 2 - Moderate Interest
- 3 - General Interest
- 4 - Stronger than Average Response
- 5 - Strong Interest

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1. I have a strong desire to meet the practical needs of others.
2. I receive joy when I can give money for the work of Christ.
3. I am especially drawn to those who are suffering mental and physical anguish.
4. I enjoy working and creating new things with my hands.
5. If no structured organization exists, I am willing to step forward to assume responsibility for leadership.
6. Sometimes others have told me that I have great faith.
7. I can adapt to different lifestyles in order to establish a Christian witness among foreign people.
8. I enjoy showing others how the Bible speaks to their current situation.
9. I enjoy leading others to Christ.
10. I like to spend myself in order to help others grow as Christians.
11. I tend to see how Christian truths relate to each other as a whole.
12. People often seek me out for counsel and guidance.
13. Sometimes God gives me insight about the proper course of action for others to take.
14. I have had times when I became aware of a situation or an event quite apart from any outside communication.
15. I can easily detect spiritual truth or spiritual error.
16. I enjoy using the musical gift that God has given me.
17. I enjoy serving others so that they in turn may perform their ministries.
18. I believe that God has given me the ability both to make and share money.
19. I think God wants me to especially minister to those in distress.
20. People will often ask me to help them in various maintenance and repair projects.
21. I feel that I can see the whole picture and help direct others in making their best contributions to Christian projects.
22. I believe that God can miraculously alter circumstances if we pray.
23. I could feel good in taking the gospel to a pagan tribe.
24. I will not compromise the truth even when I am criticized for being stubborn and hard-headed.
25. I find it easy to invite persons to commit themselves to Christ.



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26. At times I feel led to go to a straying Christian and help him onto the way.
27. I feel that God has some sort of teaching ministry for me.
28. Others tell me that I am a good counselor.
29. God enables me to see the proper application of Christian truth to specific circumstances.
30. In casual conversations I am sometimes aware of a deep need which the person I am talking to is hiding.
31. I can detect spiritual phoniness before others can.
32. People often express to me how my musical gift ministers to them.
33. I tend to be one of the first ones to notice the practical needs of others.
34. I like to give money anonymously.
35. I enjoy rendering practical aid to those who have gotten themselves in trouble.
36. When there is something to repair or help needed to prepare a meal, decorate a home, or mend a piece of clothing, I enjoy getting involved.
37. Sometimes God helps me to organize people and resources in order to meet practical needs.
38. I often see a direct connection between God's promises to His ancient people & His faithfulness today.
39. I would enjoy learning a new language in order to pioneer a new church overseas.
40. I like to tell others about God's judgment for wrong-doing and of his gracious promises to those who turn to Him.
41. I like to bear public witness to what Christ has done for me.
42. I tend to be patient with Christians who are making slow progress in the Christian life.
43. I prefer to read profound Christian truth rather than Christian biography.
44. When encouraging another or giving advice I am concerned about how that person reacts to my efforts to help.
45. I seem to be able to apply God's truth to concrete situations.
46. Sometimes I think I can see a situation almost as God sees it.
47. I often have an insight that a particular book or message is inspired by God.
48. I am often asked to share my musical talent.
49. I don't mind serving others even if I am needed to perform menial tasks.
50. I strongly feel that some Christians should give considerably more than their tithe.



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51. Sometimes I sense when others are hurting on the inside.
52. I enjoy walking into a home and in my mind plan out decorating schemes or repair projects.
53. I work well under pressure and in the midst of activity, I can get to the heart of the matter and take decisive action.
54. I find it easy to trust God even when the faith of others falters.
55. I often think that I may be called to take the gospel to an unchurched area.
56. I can easily see ways that the Bible relates to current social needs.
57. After sharing the gospel I like to ask people to make a person decision about Christ.
58. I feel responsibility to nurture others in Christian discipleship.
59. I find joy in harmonizing and arranging biblical teaching.
60. I can identify with the faltering in a way that brings encouragement.
61. Other Christians seek my advice when they are uncertain of their decision.
62. At times I have suddenly realized certain options for the church which others did not perceive.
63. God has often enabled me to encourage others to accept truly biblical teaching.
64. I frequently listen to music paying close attention to technique, expression, interpretation, intonation, etc.
65. I often recognize ways I can minister to others indirectly, without speaking or teaching.
66. Sometimes I feel led to give money to ministries beyond my congregation.
67. God uses me to console those suffering from depression and discouragement.
68. Individuals often ask me to help them in making decisions about what they wear and what colors look good on them, etc.
69. I can recognize talents and gifts in others and also help them find ways of using their abilities.
70. I seldom have difficulty believing God will help people who trust in Him.
71. I am excited about the idea of learning a new culture so as to take the gospel to other lands.
72. I feel that God often anoints my public speaking.
73. I would rather evangelize than teach.
74. I want to know and to understand those I am serving.
75. I enjoy preparing and giving an orderly presentation of some portion of Scripture.



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76. I enjoy helping others work out detailed steps for growing in their faith.
77. On some occasions God has helped me bring illumination to other Christians when they have been confused about what course to take.
78. I have had the experience of knowing something even though no one told me.
79. I can sometimes detect good in other Christian traditions even when others are slow to recognize it.
80. I am continually trying to improve the musical ability that I have been given.
81. I think one of my spiritual gifts is to serve others by relieving their material or physical burdens.
82. I view giving to meet material needs is my special ministry.
83. I like to work with those who are neglected by others.
84. I enjoy food preparation and working in the kitchen.
85. I can inspire others to use their gifts in God's service.
86. I can see the hand of God working in times of seeming tragedy.
87. I am intrigued with the idea of moving into the midst of a sub-culture to learn their ways and win them to Christ.
88. I find it easy to suffer ridicule for sticking to God's Word.
89. I tend to conclude my vocal witness for Christ with an appeal for others to become Christians.
90. I enjoy teaching and guiding a group of Christians.
91. I think it is important to use words accurately and pronounce them properly.
92. I like to encourage and counsel with those who are spiritually or emotionally unstable.
93. I can see several sides of an issue and sense which way God is leading a group.
94. God has given me direct knowledge of a fact before it was made known to others.
95. God has used me to warn others of the danger of a certain teaching.
96. I feel strongly that the attitude "anything is good enough for church" is wrong and I work to develop my musical gift in God's service.
97. In the church I tend to prefer ministries like ushering, typing, filing, cleaning, and helping in any way I can.
98. God has enabled me to make money and I love to give liberally to Christian causes.
99. I like to visit prisons, homes for the elderly, etc in order to minister, comfort, and give hope.
100. I am often complimented on the things I make.



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101. People often look to me for guidance in organizing and managing.
102. I can trust God to bring victory to those who have lost faith.
103. I think that I could be effective in beginning a new church where no church exists.
104. People have often told me that they find my speeches inspiring.
105. I am troubled when non-Christians are not given an invitation to accept Christ at the end of a worship service.
106. I enjoy having the responsibility for discipling a group of Christians.
107. I prefer hearing or reading Scriptural teaching rather than personal testimonies.
108. I like to help others as long as they respond, but when they become disinterested I move on to another task.
109. Others tell me that I show maturity in offering advice about spiritual matters.
110. I have had the experiences of talking with another person for only a short time and understanding what his problem is.
111. I can often sense when a speaker is true to the Bible.
112. I feel lead from time to time to compose a poem or lyrics to a song.
113. Frequently my ministry consists of watching for unmet needs and then quietly meeting those needs.
114. I frequently feel led to give money to Christian enterprises.
115. I feel compassion for the undeserving.
116. People often ask me for my recipes, or how to make something I have made.
117. As a leader I can easily delegate authority to others.
118. I enjoy applying God's promises to seemingly impossible situations.
119. I would enjoy the challenge of a pioneer missionary assignment.
120. I find it easy to apply biblical promises to human situations.
121. I feel natural leading up to an appeal for others to receive Christ as Savior.
122. I feel that I am responsible to protect weak Christians from influences that would undermine their faith.
123. I get troubled when I hear or read a radiant testimony that contains false advice or unsound teaching.
124. I can challenge others without condemning them.
125. When I am faced with a request for advice, I have been inspired by God to give sound counsel.



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126. I have surprised others by telling them something about themselves that they have not revealed to me.
127. I can identify elements of truth or of error when I hear or read the teachings of others.
128. There have been individuals who have been ministered to through the songs I've composed.
129. I enjoy serving others physically or materially in order to make their burdens lighter.
130. Occasionally I sense that some appeals for money are not worthy appeals.
131. Sometimes I feel so compassionate for others that I fail to confront them with the truth.
132. I see avenues to witness to others through the creative abilities that God has given to me.
133. I can lead others in matters of planning and in deploying the abilities of the group.
134. Through the prayer I can tap into God's power on behalf of others.
135. I feel that if needed I would have many of the spiritual gifts that would equip me to minister to a first generation church.
136. I do not mind confronting those in authority with the truth.
137. I enjoy going where non-Christians congregate in order to win them to Christ.
138. I feel very strongly that a Christian congregation should be unified.
139. I like to deduce biblical principles from my study and then share them with others.
140. People will take correction from me because they know I'm on their side.
141. God uses me to bring clarity to others when they are uncertain about what to do.
142. I am able to interpret and give the clear meaning of God's Word.
143. I have detected an element of pride and self-glory in some ministries that are highly praised by others.
144. I have taken standard Christian songs and rearranged them
145. I prefer to receive no public thanks for the little things I do to help others.
146. When I give to Christian ministries it is important that my spouse or other Christians I respect confirm my decision.
147. I can cheerfully spend time with those who need someone to listen to them.
148. I feel God has given me creative abilities with which I wish to serve Him.
149. I can see the total picture easier than some others, and I can use my insights to give guidance.
150. I enjoy spending long periods of time in prayer on behalf of others.



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151. I feel relaxed and confident even when I stand alone for Christ in a hostile environment.
152. I enjoy applying biblical principles to the present day.
153. I think God has given me the gift of evangelism.
154. I am interested in the details of the lives of others and I can use my insights to give guidance.
155. I want to know the authoritative basis before I accept someone's interpretation of Scripture.
156. I seem to have the ability to call forth the best that is in others.
157. At times God gives me wisdom beyond my natural abilities.
158. I seem to understand complex biblical passages more easily than others.
159. I sense when teachers are prompted by self-interest, an evil spirit, or the Holy Spirit.
160. I enjoy spending more hours of time developing the musical gifts God has given me.



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Answer Sheet

Categories:

- a. 1___ 17___ 33___ 49___ 65___ 81___ 97___ 113___ 129___ 145___ TOTAL _____
- b. 2___ 18___ 34___ 50___ 66___ 82___ 98___ 114___ 130___ 146___ TOTAL _____
- c. 3___ 19___ 35___ 51___ 67___ 83___ 99___ 115___ 131___ 147___ TOTAL _____
- d. 4___ 20___ 36___ 52___ 68___ 84___ 100___ 116___ 132___ 148___ TOTAL _____
- e. 5___ 21___ 37___ 53___ 69___ 85___ 101___ 117___ 133___ 149___ TOTAL _____
- f. 6___ 22___ 38___ 54___ 70___ 86___ 102___ 118___ 134___ 150___ TOTAL _____
- g. 7___ 23___ 39___ 55___ 71___ 87___ 103___ 119___ 135___ 151___ TOTAL _____
- h. 8___ 24___ 40___ 56___ 72___ 88___ 104___ 120___ 136___ 152___ TOTAL _____
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- j. 10___ 26___ 42___ 58___ 74___ 90___ 106___ 122___ 138___ 154___ TOTAL _____
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KEY FOR ANSWER SHEET

Categories

Serving
Giving
Mercy
Craftsmanship
Leadership
Faith
Apostleship
Prophecy
Evangelism
Pastor/Teacher
Teaching
Exhortation/Encouragement
Wisdom
Knowledge
Discernment
Worship

After you have answered all the questions in the test, add up each horizontal line of answers. [For example, add responses 1, 17, 33, 49, 65, 81, 97, 113, 129 and 145 to get total for line a.]

The key for each category of gifts is above. Which 3 to 5 categories did you score highest in?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Do you agree with your test results, or do you think you have been given different gifts?