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I. Spiritual gifts have one source.

- A. Paul begins by noting that anything spiritually uplifting comes from God.
- B. Because God is the source of all spiritual gifts we can have certain expectations.
 - 1. They will be godly in nature.
 - 2. They will be Christ-honoring.

II. Spiritual gifts are distributed with purpose.

- A. Paul noted that God distributes spiritual gifts with purpose.
- B. As we make use of our spiritual gifts we have to remember the purposes they serve.
 - 1. Spiritual gifts promote God and not the individual.
 - 2. Spiritual gifts are for the building up of the body of Christ.

III. Spiritual gifts have many forms.

- A. Paul offered the Corinthians some examples of spiritual gifts.
- B. Even in the modern church spiritual gifts can take on various forms.

IV. Spiritual gifts help to complete the body.

- A. Paul then used the inner workings of the human body as an example of how spiritual gifts are intended to work in the church.
- B. The church needs members to recognize and put to use their spiritual gifts.

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