

1 Corinthians 12

Vocabulary

Spiritual Gifts - Talents given by God so we can serve the Christian community.

Pagans - People who practiced the worship of many gods or who lived completely godless lives.

The manifestation of the Spirit - spiritual gifts

Speaking in different kinds of tongues - The talent given by God to pray to him or praise him in a language previously unknown or studied.

The body of Christ - The Christian community, the church.

Apostles - A narrow group, but wider than merely the original Twelve, who witnessed Jesus' death and resurrection and carried the message of Christ out from Jerusalem, establishing and teaching new churches in the Christian faith.

Points to Ponder

What spiritual gifts do you think you have right now?

Are you still praying about which gifts you have?

Are there gifts that you hope someday you will have?

Questions

1. Why did Paul give the Corinthians advice about spiritual gifts? _____

2. What was the condition of the Corinthians when they were pagans? v.2

3. Why can someone speaking by the Spirit of God not say, "Jesus be cursed"? v.3

4. What is the only way a person can say, "Jesus is Lord"? v.3 _____

5. What common element exists in the diversity of gifts, service, and working? v.6

6. Who works through the various gifts Christians have? v.4-6 _____
7. Who is given the manifestation of the Spirit? v.7 _____
For whose good is the manifestation of the Spirit given? v.7 _____
8. What spiritual gifts did Paul describe? v.8-10 _____

9. Who determines how the gifts are distributed? v.11 _____
10. What is your spiritual gift? _____

11. In what way are Christians like a human body? v.12 _____

12. Why should outward appearances or status not matter to us? v.13

13. Who are the people in the Christian community baptized by the one Spirit into the body of Christ? v.13 _____
14. What makes Christians unified and dependent on one another? v.13

15. What lessons are there in seeing the church as a human body? v.14-17

16. Why shouldn't all Christians perform the same function? v.19

17. Why should members of the body of Christ not say to each other, "I don't need you"? v.21-22 _____
18. Why should the less honorable parts be treated with special attention?

19. Who is part of the body of Christ? v.27 _____
20. What are the greater gifts? v.31 _____

True/False

1. You can't truly and heartfully say Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. T/F
2. God gives us spiritual gifts so that we can be by ourselves and not hang out with anyone. T/F
3. All of our spiritual gifts are the work of the Holy Spirit who decides who gets which gifts. T/F
4. We should use our gifts in a loving way to build each other up in the body of Christ. T/F
5. The best gift of all is the gift of speaking in tongue's because it's a lot better for God to give you the ability to pray in a foreign language than it is to pay \$2000 to learn one at school. T/F
6. If we have all the spiritual gifts but we don't have love, that is bad. T/F