## **ORIGINAL VERSION**

Sermon Title: The Gift of Holy Spirit by Pastor Samson Oluwamodede.

Excerpts from the Sermon:

We have 9 gifts of holy spirit. We have 9 fruits of holy spirit.

I Corinthians 12:1-3

I told you about holy ghost and what brought about the Holy Spirit. I don't want you to be ignorant.

One the gifts is the gift of wisdom. Any Christian that lacks wisdom will find it difficult in life to be successful.

I Corinthians 2:6-8

I am talking about the gift of wisdom. The book of Jacobs says if anybody lacks wisdom he should ask from God, he is the king that gives wisdom to man.

The wisdom I am talking about is the wisdom of God. When Babangida was on the throne, he said fraud is not a crime, that it is wisdom that surpasses wisdom. That is worldy wisdom.

Another form of wisdom is 419 wisdom, the wisdom of the Yahoo boys, that is also a form of wisdom. There are many scammers fraudulently stealing money from people's accounts. This is also a form of wisdom. This kind of wisdom can lead you to hell fire.

The wisdom of God. I am talking about the wisdom from heaven. The gift of wisdom. Jesus the saviour had this gift. He used this gift.

When the pharisees were looking for cunning ways to apprehend Jesus, they looked for cunning ways to capture him.

We cannot just arrest him and kill him like that. Lets find a way to implicate him and accuse him of a crime.

## Matthew 22:15-22

Any christian that lacks this gift, no matter how filled with holy ghost, but God gives wisdom to man as he desires. There are many people like that in the church. They may not see vision or speak in tongues but God has given them the gift of wisdom.

When there is any crisis, we utilize people like them but such people must possess the fruit of the spirit. Because the people that are blessed with wisdom must not be stubborn.

Some people are blessed with wisdom but their stubborn attitude has rendered them unfit to be used by the church.

Secondly, they might have the spirit of anger and hot temper. For such people, their gift of wisdom might not be valuable for the church.

But for those who possess the spirit of endurance with their gift of wisdom, they are the ones that will be useful for the church.

A man of God, Pa Omojuwa, when he was alive... my mentor, my father in the Lord, Pastor Salami Adeoye when he was alive, he had this gift.

When there is a problem in the church, he will be invited. The people that possess this gift must be patient and tolerant, because if you do not have the fruit of the spirit like patience, it is possible for people not to value that gift of wisdom that you possess.

Jesus now said the money you are talking about, bring it unto me. Who's image is there? And they it is Ceasar's image. He admonished them to give unto Ceasar what belongs to Ceasar. What belongs to God, give it unto God.

Few years ago, we were holding a program here in the church and the newsereporters came to meet me and ask me series of questions. I think 2 years ago or last year. They said we heard that you prophesized. We have seen 3 of your prophesies come to pass.

I asked them which one did you see? They told me the prophecy about football.

You said Nigeria will fail in football but in atletics, a Nigerian girl will emerge victorious. I said glory be to God.

They asked me that with this present government, What are your thoughts? What can you say about this government?

If they asked for my advice, I would have given them my advice but they asked for what I have to say about the present government. How can we compare this government with the previous government?

I told them to ask me about the kingdom of God and I will answer.

I asked them which kind of government are we practicing in Nigeria and they said democracy. Can you give me the definition of democracy, they replied; government for the people, by the people and for the people. I said good.

Now, I told them ask me anything about the government of God and I will answer vou.

Democracy is the government for the people, by the people and for the people. Now, I told them; ask me anything about the government of God. They could not reply. They could not ask me anything.

They instead ask me for my advice for Nigeria. I replied them that my advice for Nigeria is for the people and the ministers of God to be praying for Nigeria. That is all.

Children of God listening to me today, the gift of wisdom is the first gift in the 9 gifts of holy spirit.

Before Solomon achieved success, in the book of I King chapter 3:3-9, after the death of David, his son was enthroned after him.

But one day, he slept and had a dream.

The bible says Solomon had a strong love for God, but he was a young man when he ascended to the throne. When God asked him to ask for anything he wants, he asked for the spirit of wisdom and understanding to lead the people and the nations God has placed in his care. I am talking about the gifts of holy spirit. I am

of the gift of wisdom. Wisdom is superior to understanding. Wisdom is greater than power.

And so, to those of you that have received holy spirit and to those of you that are thirsting for it...one of the gifts that we must desire is the gift of wisdom.

God told Solomon that because you did not ask for money, the life of your enemy or wealth. I will give it unto to you. There will none before thee and after thee that will have wisdom like you and he woke up and he discovered it was a dream.

However, there was a particular day, two women (harlots) gave birth to two children. As they were sleeping, one of the women slept on her child and the child died. The second woman did not sleep on her child.

I King 3:16-28

Everything the people of world has manipulated against you, may God restore it back to you in Jesus name.

The bible says people were terrified. They have seen such a wisdom before. Nobody can face his wisdom. I beseech you in God's name. All we minsters of God, wives of ministers of God, all the church members, all the captains of industries, all the people occupying leadership positions in government, all governors, including the president of the nation; ask for the wisdom of God.

Had Solomon lacked the wisdom of God, he would have committed an error in judgment on that day. In this gift of wisdom, he received insight that any woman that carried a child in her womb for nine months that experienced the excruciating pain before giving birth to the child, on no account will such woman consent to the killing of a child.

Solomon said give him the child. She is the true mother of the child. I am the mother of the child. When the child becomes an adult, he will surely know her mother.

DNA technology was not yet in existence by then.

The spirit of wisdom told Solomon that this is true mother of the child and this is the wicked mother. Give the child to her.

Any power that want to manipulate your glory shall be put to shame today. AMEN.

Peace be unto you. Thank You. God bless you.

Prayer Point: Oh Lord, I don't want earthly wisdom. Give me the wisdom of heaven.

## **EDITED VERSION**

Pastor Samson Oluwamodede, General Overseer of Prayer Centre Church of God, delivered a powerful sermon on the topic "The Gift of Holy Spirit." He emphasized the importance of the nine gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit, highlighting the gift of wisdom as crucial for success in the life of a Christian.

The pastor referred to the wisdom of God, differentiating it from worldly and fraudulent wisdom, such as the deceptive practices of scammers. He emphasized that the wisdom from heaven, like the one possessed by Jesus, is essential for navigating challenges and overcoming cunning schemes.

While acknowledging that some individuals in the church may not display visible spiritual gifts like visions or speaking in tongues, Pastor Oluwamodede emphasized that many possess the gift of wisdom given by God. However, he cautioned that the usefulness of this gift depends on the individuals' character and their possession of the fruit of the Spirit, particularly patience and endurance.

The pastor shared examples of respected individuals who demonstrated the gift of wisdom, stressing the need for patience and tolerance when utilizing this gift for the church's benefit. He highlighted the story of Solomon, who asked for the spirit of wisdom and understanding when offered anything by God. Solomon's wise judgment in the case of two women claiming motherhood of a child demonstrated the superiority of wisdom over understanding and power.

Pastor Oluwamodede encouraged listeners to desire and seek the gift of wisdom as part of the Holy Spirit's blessings. He emphasized that wisdom enables discernment and protects against manipulation and wrong judgments. The sermon concluded with a prayer for the heavenly wisdom of God, rather than earthly wisdom.

The pastor's sermon highlighted the significance of the gift of wisdom in the Christian faith and called upon believers to seek this gift through prayer and a close relationship with God.