**Adult Sunday School**

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**Understanding Spiritual Gifts I Cor. 12:1-10**

I Cor. 12:3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

We need instruction

We need teaching

We need training

We need ministry

1. Man submitting to authority.
   1. Man giving
   2. Man receiving
   3. Man understanding
   4. Man speaking
   5. Man calling
   6. Man saying
2. Man in Total submission to the God Head

“by the Spirit of God” - God the Father

“Jesus is the Lord” - God the Son

“by the Holy Ghost” - God the Holy Ghost

* 1. Divine Fellowship
  2. Divinely Inspired
  3. Divine Oracle

**These Gifts are from the Spirit to worship the Lord.**

**These Gifts from the Spirit are not to just service us.**

How many Spiritual Gifts are there?

I Cor. 12:4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

“Now there are diversities of gifts”

* (There are distinct kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit)
* (Distinct) - gifts

How many different administratations are there?

5 And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.

“And there are differences of administrations”

* (There are different kinds of ministries)
* (Different) – administrations(services-ministries)

How many operations are there?

I Cor. 12:6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

“And there are diversities of operations”

* ( There are many distinct outward effects and methods but one inward Power)
* ( Distributed) – Power Delegated Authority

“The Same Spirit”

One Spirit-The Holy Ghost

* + 1. The Spirit of Grace
    2. The Spirit of Truth

“The Same Lord”

One Lord-The Lord Jesus Christ

* + 1. Word of Grace
    2. Word of Truth

“The Same God”

One God – The Father

* + 1. God of all Grace
    2. God of Truth

GIFTS are attributed to the Holy Spirit, I Cor. 12:4.

ADMINISTRATIONS to the Lord Jesus, I Cor. 12:5.

OPERATIONS to God the Father, I Cor. 12:6.

Manifestation of the Spirit is given

to every man to profit withal. I Cor. 12:7

* It will take the unity of the Spirit in grace and truth to reach maturity.

I Cor. 12:11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

1. Man in submission to other’s in the fear of God so that the Holy Ghost will divide the gifts amongst us
   1. The word of wisdom – Revealed by the Spirit

* God given ability to make the best decision

(Reason and speech) – (Intelligence and practical action)

1 Kings 3:16-28; II Chron. 1:7-12; Proverbs 4:5-8

Acts 6:3 -10; 15:13-20; 20:20-21; I Corinthians 1:24; 2:6-13; 12:7, 28; Ephesians3:10; 4:11-14; Colossians 1:28;

James 1:5-8; 3:13-18; II Peter3:15  
Romans 12:17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

* Let God bless you even in poverty while the ungodly are cursed in their riches.
  1. The word of knowledge –given by the Spirit
* God given information so that we know what to do

(Reason and speech) – (Feel, Know, Perceive and Resolve)

II Chron. 1:7-12; Psalms 119:66; Prov. 2:6; 9:10; Jer. 3:15; Dan. 2:20-21; Acts 5:1-11; I Cor. 2:14; 12:8; II Cor.11:6;

Col. 1:9,10; 2:2-3

II Cor. 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

* Let God give to you insight and illumination
  1. Faith – persuaded by the Spirit
* A special gift of faith to glorify God and build the faith of the whole body.

*(Persuasion, Conviction, Assurance, Constant in Profession)*

* *Strong Confidence, Courage and Commitment*

Acts 11:22-24; 27:21-25; Romans 4:18-21; 1 Corinthians 12:9; Eph.3:12; Hebrews 3:6; 6:12; 10:19

A special gift of faith from a Word from God, a mustard seed mountain (any and every difficulty) moving faith, strong in the Lord faith, a powerful faith, a miracle wonder-working faith, a special gift of faith that enables the believer to receive great things from God for His people.

* 1. Gifts of Healing Lk.5:17;Jn.14:12; Acts5:12-16

To cure and make whole through laying on of hands and praying. (A supernatural process) Begin to amend. Jn.4:52

* 1. The working of miracles – Instant, miraculous
  2. Prophecy -Inspired words from the Holy Ghost
  3. Discerning of spirits

Acts 5:1-11; 16:16-18; 17:11-16; I Jn.4:1-6

* 1. Divers kinds of tongues

Divine utterances, Unknown, Unlearned Language, Foreign languages spoken supernaturally through the Holy Ghost

* 1. Interpretation of tongues:

I Cor. 12:30;14:13,26,27

I Cor. 12:31 But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.