Spiritual Gift: GIVING

Definition: to share what material resources you have with liberality and

cheerfulness without thought of return

Scripture: Romans 12:8

Greek Word: metadidomi - to give over, share, impart

Scriptural Role Models to Study: Dorcas (Acts 9)

Characteristics of Someone with this Gift:

enjoys giving to those in serious financial need	
cheerfully gives well above a tithe to the work of the chur	ch
known for generosity and sometimes sacrificial giving	
often gives anonymously to those in need	
willing to lower standard of living in order to help out	

Ministry Areas & Tasks Using This Gift:

Benevolence Ministry:

give directly to people in need or to organizations that reach out to people in need like hunger and relief agencies

Worship Ministry:

all giving should be seen as an act of worship but can especially be so when giving during a local church worship service sacrificially

Other Ministry:

direct missionary support; provide care, lodging or other resources for missionaries home on furlough; scholarship for students training for ministry; sponsor or underwrite special projects

Observations About This Gifting:

- A person with this gift tends to display resourcefulness, generosity, and caring.
- If people with this gift don't have the material resources to meet a need, they will be motivated to pray and see needs are met otherwise.
- People with the gift of giving must take caution against: 1) a critical attitude of those unable to give, 2) control with one's money