Wisdom

Description:

People with this gift translate life experience into spiritual truth and see the application of scriptural truth to daily living. They help the community of faith remain focused on the important work of the church. They offer balance and understanding that transcend reason.

Distinctives:

People with this gift:

- Focus on the unseen consequences in determining the next step to take
- Receive an understanding of what is necessary to meet the needs of the body
- Provide divinely given solutions in the midst of conflict and confusion
- Hear the Spirit provide direction for God's best in a given situation
- Apply spiritual truth in specific and practical ways.

Traits:

- Sensible
- Insightful
- Practical
- Wise
- Fair
- Experienced
- Common Sense

Cautions:

- Could fail to share the wisdom that God has given them
- Need to avoid having others develop a dependence upon them which may weaken their faith in God
- Need to be patient with others who do not have this gift.

Biblical Examples:

James 3:13-18 1 Corinthians 12:8 1 Corinthians 2:3-14 Jeremiah 9:23-24

Ministry Suggestions:

Prayer Ministry Finance Committee
Second Century Committee Any Ministry Team
Staff Parish Committee Student Ministries Facilitator