



Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Bible Study

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I. Ministry Gifts of the Church

A. Apostle (specific)

Definition: Those specifically commissioned by the resurrected Lord to establish the church and the original message of the gospel.

General References: Acts 4:33-37; 5:12;18-42; 6:6; 8:14,18; 9:27; 11:1-6,22-23; 16:4; I Cor. 9:5; 12:28-29; Gal. 1:17; Eph. 2:20; 4:11; Jude 17

Specific Examples

12 Apostles

Matt. 10:2

Mark 3:14

Luke 6:13

Acts 1:15-26

Rev. 21:14

Peter

I Pet. 1:1

2 Pet. 1:1

Paul

Rom. 1:1; 11:13

I Cor. 1:1; 9:1-2; 15:9-10

II Cor. 1:1

Gal. 1:1

I Tim. 2:7

B. Apostle (general)

Definition: Any messenger commissioned as a missionary or for other special responsibilities

General References: Acts 13:1-3; I Cor. 12:28-29; Eph. 4:11

Specific Examples

Barnabas

Acts 14:4, 14

Epaphroditus

Phil. 2:25

Andronicus & Junias

Rom. 16:7

James, Jesus' brother

Gal. 1:19

Titus & others

2 Cor 8:23

C. Prophet

Definition: Those who spoke under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, bringing a message from God to the church, and whose main motivation and concern were with the spiritual life and purity of the church

General References: Rom. 12:6; I Cor. 12:10; 14:1-33; Eph. 4:11; I Thes. 5:20-21; I Tim. 1:18; I Pet. 4:11; I John 4:1-3

Specific Examples

Peter

Acts 2:14-40; 3:12-26;
4:8-12; 10:34-44

Paul

Acts 13:1,16-41

Barnabas

Acts 13:1

Simeon

Acts 13:1

Lucius

Acts 13:1

Manaen

Acts 13:1

Agabus

Acts 11:27-28; 21:10

Judas & Silas

Acts 15:32

John

Rev. 1:1,3; 10:8-11; 11:18

D. Evangelist

**Definition: Those gifted by God to
proclaim the gospel to the unsaved**

General References: Eph. 4:11

Specific Examples

Philip

Acts 8:5-8, 26-40

21:8

Paul

Acts 26:16-18

E. Pastor (Elder or Overseer)

Definition: Those chosen and gifted to oversee the church and care for its spiritual needs

General References: Acts 14:23; 15:1-6, 22-23; 16:4; 20:17-38; Rom. 12:8; Eph. 4:11-12; Phil. 1:1; I Tim. 3:1-7; 5:17-20; Tit. 1:5-9; Heb. 13:17; I Pet. 5:1-5

Specific Examples

Timothy

I Tim. 1:1-4; 4:12-16

II Tim 1:1-6; 4:2,5

Titus

Titus 1:4-5

Peter

I Pet. 5:1

John

I John 2:1,12-14

Gaius

III John 1-7

F. Teacher

Definition: Those gifted to clarify and explain God's Word in order to build up the church

General References: Rom. 12:7; Eph. 4:11-12, Col. 3:16; I Tim. 3:2; 5:17; II Tim. 2:2,24

Specific Examples

Paul

Acts 15:35; 20:20; 28:31

Rom. 12:19-21; 13:8-10

I Cor. 4:17

I Tim. 1:5; 4:16

II Tim. 1:11

Barnabas

Acts 15:35

Apollos

Acts 18:25-28

Timothy

I Cor. 4:17; I Tim. 1:3-5;
4:11-132; 6:2; II Tim.
4:2

Titus

Tit. 2:1-3, 9-10

G. Deacon

Definition: Those chosen and gifted to render practical assistance to members of the church

General References: Acts 6:1-6; Rom. 12:7; Phil 1:1; I Tim. 3:8-13; I Pet. 4:11

Specific Examples

Seven Deacons

Acts 6:5

Phoebe

Rom. 16:1-2

H. Helper

Definition: Those gifted for a variety of helpful deeds

General References: I Cor. 12:28

Specific Examples

Paul

Acts 20:35

Lydia

Acts 16:14-15

Gaius

III John 5-8

I. Administrator

Definition: Those gifted to guide and oversee the various activities of the church

General References: I Cor. 12:7; Eph. 4:11-12; I Tim. 3:1-7; Heb. 13:7-17,24

Specific Examples

Peter

Acts 6:3-4; 11:1-18

Paul

Acts 20:17-35

**I Cor. 11:23-24; 14;
16:1-9**

J. Exhorter

Definition: Those gifted to motivate other Christians to a deeper faith and dedication to Christ, a fuller manifestation of the fruit of the Holy Spirit, and a more complete separation from the world.

General References: Rom. 12:8; I Cor. 14:3; I Thes. 5:11, 14-22; Heb. 10:24-25

Specific Examples

Barnabas

Acts 11:23-24; 14:22

Paul

Acts 14:22; 16:40; 20:1

Rom. 8:26-39; 12:1-2

II Cor. 6:14-7:1

Gal. 5:16-26

Judas & Silas

Acts 15:32; 16:40

Timothy

I Thes. 3:2

II Tim. 4:2

Titus

Titus 2:6,13

Peter

I Pet. 5:1-2

John

I John 2:15-17; 3:1-3

K. Giver

Definition: Those gifted to give freely of their resources to the needs of God's people.

General References: Acts 2:44-45; 4:34-35; 11:29-30; I Cor. 16:1-4; II Cor. 8-9; Eph. 4:28; I Tim. 6:17-19; Heb. 13:16; I John 3:16-18

Specific Examples

Barnabas

Acts 4:36-37

Christians in Macedonia

Rom. 15:26-27

II Cor. 8:1-5

Christians in Achaia

Rom 15:26-27

II Cor. 9:2

L. Comforter

**Definition: Those gifted to give comfort
by acts of mercy to people in distress**

**General References: Rom 12:8; II Cor.
1:3-7**

Specific Examples

Paul

II Cor. 1:4

Hebrew Christians

Heb. 10:34

Various Christians

Col. 4:10-11

Dorcas

Acts 9:36-39

II. Manifestations of the Holy Spirit through Individual Believers

A. Word of Wisdom

Definition: An utterance from the Holy Spirit applying God's Word or wisdom to a specific situation

General References: Acts 6:3, I Cor. 12:8; 13:2,9,12

Specific Examples

Stephen
Acts 6:10

James
Acts 15:13-21

B. Word of Knowledge

Definition: An utterance from the Holy Spirit revealing knowledge about people, circumstances, or Biblical truth.

**General References: Acts 10:47-48;
13:2; 15:7-11; I Cor. 12:8; 14:2,9,12;
14:25**

Specific Examples

Peter

Acts 5:9-10

C. Faith

Definition: Supernatural faith imparted by the Holy Spirit enabling a Christian to believe God for the miraculous

General References: Matt. 21:21-22; Mark 9:23-24; 11:22-24; Luke 17:6; Acts 3:1-8; 6:5-8; I Cor. 12:9; 13:2; Jas. 5:14-15

Specific Examples

A Centurion

Matt. 8:5-10

A Sick Woman

Matt. 9:20-22

Two blind men

Matt. 9:27-29

A Canaanite Woman

Matt. 15:22-28

A Sinful Woman

Luke 9:36-50

A leper

Luke 17:11-19

D. Healing

Definition: Restoring someone to physical health by divinely supernatural means

General References: Matt. 4:23-24; 8:16; 9:35; 10:1,8; Mark 1:32-34; 6:13; 16:18; Luke 4:40-41; 9:1-2; John 6:2; 14:12; Acts 4:30; 5:15-16; 19:11-12; I Cor. 12:9,28,30

E. Miracles

Definition: Divine supernatural power to alter the course of nature, including casting out demons

General References:

Matt. 4:23-24; 8:16; 10:1,8; 13:54

Mark 1:32-33,39; 3:15; 6:13; 16:17

Luke 4:40-41; 9:1; 10:17

John 7:3; 10:25,32; 14:11; 15:24

**Acts 2:22,43; 4:30; 5:15-16; 6:8; 8:6-7; 14:3;
15:12; 19:11-12**

Rom. 15:9; I Cor. 12:10,29, II Cor. 12:12; Gal.

F. Prophecy

Definition: A special temporary ability to bring a word, warning, exhortation, or revelation from God under the impulse of the Holy Spirit

General References: Luke 12:12; Acts 2:17-18; I Cor. 12:10; 13:9; 14:1-33; Eph. 4:11; I Thes. 5:20-21; II Pet. 1:20-21; I John 4:1-3

Specific Examples

Elizabeth

Luke 1:40-45

Mary

Luke 1:46-55

Zacharias

Luke 1:67-79

Agabus

Acts 21:10-11

Peter

Acts 2:14-40; 4:8-12

Twelve men from
Ephesus

Acts 19:6

Four daughters of
Philip

Acts 21:9

G. Discerning of Spirits

Definition: Special ability to judge whether prophecies and utterances are from the Holy Spirit

General References: I Cor. 12:10; 14:29

Specific Examples

Peter

Acts 8:18-24

Paul

Acts 13:8-12; 16:16-18

H. Speaking in Tongues

Definition: Expressing oneself at the level of one's spirit under the direct influence of the Holy Spirit in a language he or she has not learned and does not know.

**General References: I Cor. 12:10,28,30;
13:1; 14:1-40**

Specific Examples

Disciples

Acts 2:4-11

Cornelius & Family

Acts 10:44-45; 11:17

Ephesian Believers

Acts 19:2-7

Paul

I Cor. 14:6,15,18

I. Interpretation of Tongues

Definition: Special ability to interpret what is spoken in tongues

**General References: I Cor. 12:10,30;
14:5,13,26-28**



End of Gifts of the Holy Spirit

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