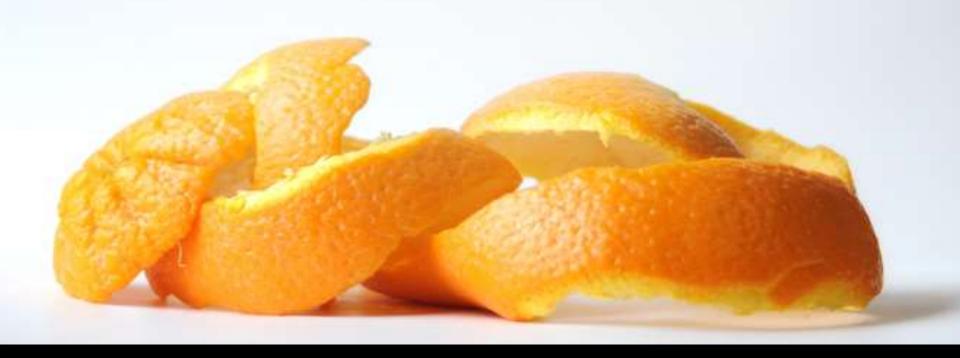
Katalyst Church



A Revolution of Love

LOVE | JOY | PEACE | PATIENCE | KINDNESS | GOODNESS | FAITHFULNESS | GENTLENESS | SELF-CONTROL



FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT love, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control Galatians 5:22-23

In discussing "The fruit of the Spirit",
The nine graces are often divided into three groups.

- a. Those graces which turns one's thought toward God.
- 1) Love (for love is of God)
- Joy (for we rejoice in the Lord)
- 3) Peace (That surpasses understanding God given)
- b. Those graces that directs our attention to our fellow man.
- 4) Longsuffering
- 5) Kindness
- 6) Goodness
- c. Those graces which refer more directly to oneself.
- 7) Faithfulness
- 8) Gentleness (meekness)
- 9) Self-control





There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

There are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.

But the manifestation (exhibition) of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 1 Corinthians 12: 4-10

Listing of Spiritual Gifts

Romans 12

Encouragement Giving Leadership Mercy Prophecy Service Teaching

1 Corinthians 12

Administration
Discernment
Healing
Interpretation of Languages
Languages
Prophecy
Wisdom

Apostle
Faith
Helps
Knowledge
Miracles
Teaching

Ephesians 4

Apostle Pastor Teaching Evangelism Prophecy

I Peter 4

Serving Teaching



Baptism in the Holy Spirit is the prerequisite of ever being able to administer/manifest any of the nine gifts - Supernatural abilities or gifts birthed in us through the Holy Spirits presence power

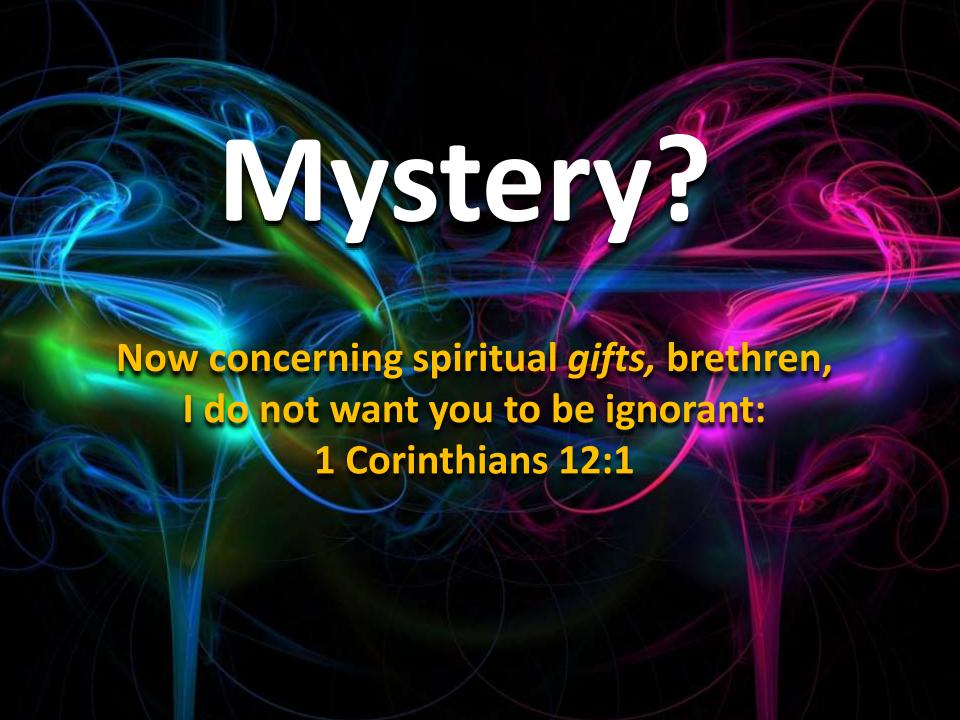
Released at His will and apportioned at His will Graces/gifts – Not earned by merit, or length of service

Without mature character (fruit of the Spirit) in the exercise of spiritual gifts there is great danger - People will get hurt, because the motives for administering those gifts gets distorted.

Personality, recognition, individuality and popularity can easily take precedence over the right motive (which is the profit of all)

The use of gifts without Godly character will bring competition and rupture unity rather than promote the unanimity of body function.

Godly character combined with the power and authority of the gifts means they are administered with and in LOVE!



Everybody has a part or parts to play: But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body. 1 Corinthians 12:18-20

The emphasis should be on equal value and concern: But God has put the body together, giving greater honour to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. 1 Cor 12:24-26



For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Romans 12:3-8





Scripture sponsors the idea that the gifts are available to anyone at anytime because of the universal presence and indwelling of the Holy Spirit who can impart/activate those gifts in any given scenario at any given time.

Scripture also sponsors the idea that gifts are limited according to the grace given to us and we should be aware of our limited capacity to minister.

How do we get around this tension?



The use of the gifts is NOT primarily about who has them, so when we do an analysis like our upcoming study on what gifts we "personally" contribute to body life, it can be difficult to find a healthy perspective and balance

Any degree of individuality expressed within the body, is always set in the context of the "profit for all".

Plurality always overrides singularity



Holding and maintaining "Sober Judgment" requires humility!

Therefore: The best measure of determining our giftedness is the affirmation of the Body - Fruit/evidence of the exhibition of our gifts

You have to be doing, knowing or speaking something for that Exhibition of a gift to be recognised

Willingness + Opportunity

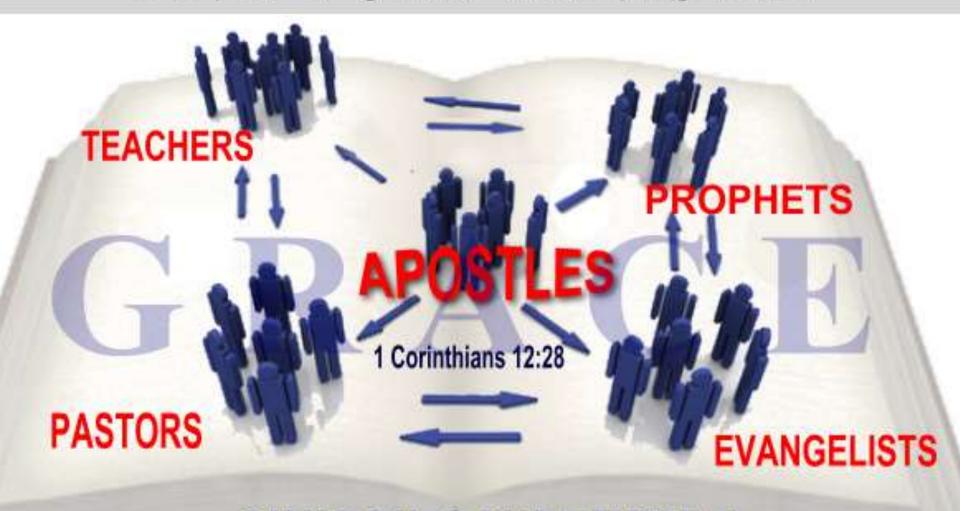
How will you know what you can exhibit/minister and how can the Holy Spirit work through you, if you are never ministering or positioned to require gifts?



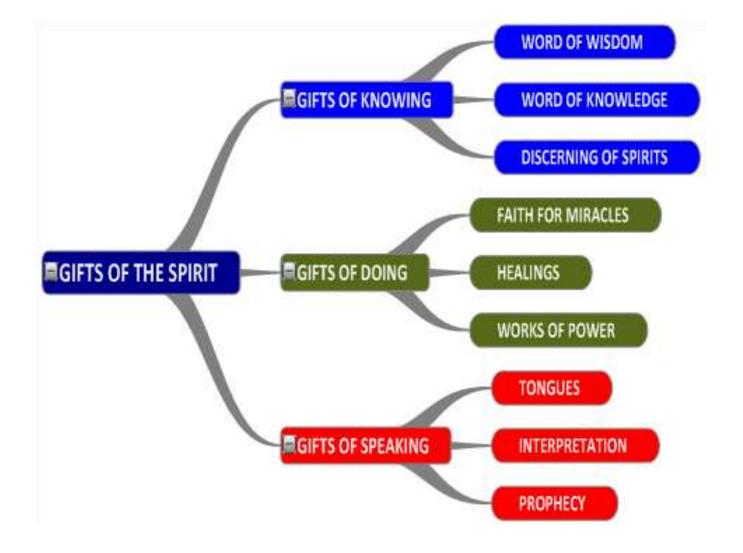
And Jesus Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head Christ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love. Ephesians 4:11-16



FIVE FOLD MINISTRY



CHURCH GOVERNMENT ESTABLISHED BY OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST



Words of Wisdom (logos sophia) + Words of Knowledge (logos gnosis)

1 Corinthians 12:8 is the only place in the New Testament where these gifts are spoken about – Limited explanation

The Word Of Knowledge, therefore, is knowledge received from the Holy Spirit to enable us to more effectively minister to the needs of people, to know and understand situations, circumstances, strategies of the enemy (kingdoms of darkness), etc. It enables us to know how to speak in the above situations with a knowledge that can surprise, baffle, dis-arm, open-up, bring answers, healing and understanding.

The prerequisite is not necessarily to be knowledgeable

A supernatural revelation of fact about a person or situation, which is not learned through the efforts of the natural mind, but is a fragment of knowledge (truth, error or fact) freely given by God, disclosing the truth which the Spirit wishes to be made known concerning a particular person or situation"

Correction (Spurgeon), Edification, Exposure (Ananias/Sapphira)

"Jesus said to her, Go, call your husband and come back here. The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said to her, You have well said, I have no husband: For you have had five husbands; and the man you are living with right now is not your husband. The woman said to Him, Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet." John 4:16-19



The Gift of the word of wisdom enables one to express the Holy Spirit's revelation/knowledge/answers to either an individual or to a group of people, church, etc., in a way that surpasses any previous "natural ability" to input into the situation. It carries the mark of the wisdom of God!

And God's wisdom beats all other wisdom known to man.

The prerequisite is not to be wise: An unwise person can give a word of wisdom!

Many people do receive information and gifts in the Holy Spirit, but do not always know how to deliver, nor to whom.

If we do not minister in God's wisdom we can make mistakes, cause disrespect to the gifts, show insensitivity to the person or people we are delivering the information to, and even cause offence.

The gift may be right, but the manner of dispensing it may be wrong.

The word of wisdom helps us to deliver it right - "the right application of knowledge."

Direction - Understanding - Authenticity/Authority - Confirmation

In Lystra a certain man without strength in his feet was sitting, a cripple from his mother's womb, who had never walked. This man heard Paul speaking. Paul, observing him intently and seeing that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, "Stand up straight on your feet!" And he leaped and walked.

Acts 14:7-10



Both Word of wisdom and Word of knowledge are gifts of the Holy Spirit, and are Spiritinspired. They are supernatural in nature, to help the Spirit-filled believer to bring the presence and reality of the Living Christ into a situation, as well as to bring answers to humanity - both individually + collectively.

