



GIFTS AND TALENTS



GIFTS THAT HELP PEOPLE TO BELONG

Hospitality. 1 Peter 4: 9- 10. The ability to make others feel welcomed and bring together all the things that create fellowship either at home, church or in the community.

Mercy. Romans 12: 8. Being able to understand hurt and provide compassionate support to those experiencing distress.

Pastoring. Ephesians 4: 12. Caring for a group of disciples and equipping them.



GIFTS THAT HELP US GROW UP INTO MATURITY.

Encouragement. Romans 12: 8. Motivating God's people to do His will especially when they are discouraged. Bringing out the best in others and challenging them to reach their potential.

Knowledge. 1 Corinthians 12: 8. The ability given by the Spirit to think about, understand and share truths that are useful to individuals.

Teaching. Ephesians 4: 12- 13. Educating God's people by explaining and applying scripture in different ways to different age groups. Timothy was gifted at preaching and teaching.

Wisdom. 1 Corinthians 12: 8. Receiving and offering insights that give God's perspective on life and sharing those in an accessible way. Explaining what is necessary to be done and how it might be done.



GIFTS THAT CELEBRATE GOD'S PRESENCE.

Arts and crafts. Exodus 31: 3- 11. Using creativity to point people towards God, beautifying places of worship and expressing worship in a variety of ways.

Prophecy. 1 Corinthians 14. Sharing messages received from God's Spirit, receiving revelation from God about His will or purpose through the imagination, words, pictures, visions. Leading to a sense of God's presence: "God is really among you".

Worship leading. Leading people into God's presence through music and bringing the church family together in worship.



GIFTS THAT RELEASE GOD'S POWER

Discernment of spirits. 1 Corinthians 12: 10. Knowing genuine from false truth or spirits. Discerning whether the source of what we experience comes from God, ourselves, or satan.

Faith. 1 Corinthians 12: 9. A particular ability to trust God for His purposes leading to the willingness to risk failure, expecting God to handle the difficulties.

Healing. 1 Corinthians 12: 9, 28. In Jesus' name to pray on behalf of people who need physical, emotional or spiritual healing and see God meeting them at their point of need. There are many different varieties of healings.

Intercession. Colossians 1: 9. Praying for the needs of others with intensity and persistence over periods of time and with effectiveness.

Miracles. 1 Corinthians 12: 10. Praying in faith for God to intervene in impossible situations, to respond to the prompting of God to pray in this kind of way, seeing His power work in ways that lead to a sense of awe and wonder.

Praying with my spirit, in tongues. 1 Corinthians 12 and 14. Praying in a language given and understood by God, or by someone who has the gift of interpretation at that time. It particularly helps us when our own words run out either in praise or pain.



GIFTS THAT SPREAD THE GOOD NEWS.

Apostle. Ephesians 4: 11. The ability to pioneer new work, start new churches or organisations and oversee their growth.

Evangelism. Ephesians 4: 11. Communicating the good news of Jesus to people of peace in an attractive way and seeing opportunities to share Christ.

Mission. 1 Corinthians 9: 19- 23. Being able to cross cultural divides for Christ to reach out to not yet Christians or to help disciples from that culture.

Preaching. 1 Timothy 4: 13. Publicly communicate God's word in an inspiring way that challenges, comforts or persuades.



GIFTS THAT SUPPORT THE WHOLE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Administration. 1 Corinthians 12: 28. Organising people, managing resources, coordinating plans so that goals can be achieved.

Assistance or helping. 1 Corinthians 12: 28. Helping and supporting others so that they can achieve their goals.

Giving. Romans 12: 8. Generously contributing material resources or money so that the church can grow and its mission be developed.

Leadership. Romans 12: 8. Clarifying and communicating purpose and vision, motivating others and enabling the whole people of God to work together.

Service. Romans 12: 7. Seeing unmet needs and taking the initiative to provide assistance without needing to be recognised.



OTHER POSSIBLE ABILITIES AND NATURAL GIFTS

Art and craft
Catering
Organising and systematising
Composing
Counselling
Working with numbers or data

Decorating
Editing
Entertaining
Evaluating
Graphics
Managing
Operating machinery or tools

Planning well
Advertising or promoting others
Handling difficulties
Fixing and restoring things
Researching
Welcoming people
Writing



WHICH GIFTS OR TALENTS DO YOU USE, OR HAVE BEEN RECOGNISED IN YOU?

Gifts that help people to belong

Hospitality.	Never	Sometimes	Often
Mercy.	Never	Sometimes	Often
Pastoring.	Never	Sometimes	Often

Gifts that help us grow up into maturity.

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Knowledge.	Never	Sometimes	Often
Teaching.	Never	Sometimes	Often
Wisdom.	Never	Sometimes	Often

Gifts that celebrate God's presence.

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Prophecy.	Never	Sometimes	Often
Worship leading.	Never	Sometimes	Often

Gifts that release God's power

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Gifts that spread the good news.

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(Tick which ones apply)

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