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CLASS 9:

The Holy Spirit and His "Gifts"

- A. **1 Corinthians 12:1-12 NKJV** "Now concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus *accursed*, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation 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. But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills. For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also *is* Christ."

Just as the Father gives us "motivational" gifts Jesus gives us "Ministry Gifts". So also the Holy Spirit imparts what is widely known as the "Gifts of the Spirit".

1) 1 Corinthians 12 defines these gifts and imparts understanding and reveals these gifts are given to profit everyone! These gifts are divine in origin and supernatural in manifestation. 7 of these supernatural gifts are seen throughout the bible and 2 are unique to the New Covenant!

2) For reference and study sake, most who have written on this subject divide these endowments into 3 categories!

- i. First, "Revelation Gifts": gifts that reveal (which would include Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, and discerning of Spirits)
- ii. Then there are the "Power Gifts": these are supernatural endowments that do something, power gifts! They are defined in the Amplified Bible as (special endowments of supernatural energy) which include Gifts of healing, working of Miracles, and Faith or "Special Faith"!
- iii. Then there are the "Vocal Gifts" or gifts that say something: they are *Prophecy, Tongues and Interpretation of Tongues*! I find it

interesting that most of Christianity denies that these gifts operate today while ignoring the fact that God gave in His Word detailed information about them.