

The Baptism in The Holy Spirit Spring Bible Study Series

"Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit"
Ephesians 5:18

Week Focus: The Holy Spirit and His Gifts-Part 1-Three Categories

Text: 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Objective:

1. To gain a greater understanding of the Holy Spirit

Review:

Agent of Creation (Gen1) Agent of New Creation (Jo 3) Author of Scripture (2 Ti 3:16)

This week Introduction:

Quick note about the personhood or personality of the Holy Spirit. V 11 says, "as he will". Three things are necessary for a personality: will, intelligence, and emotions. First, we find that Intelligence is ascribed to the Holy Spirit in 1 Corinthians 2:9-12. Second, we see the emotional life of the Spirit in Isaiah 63:10 and Ephesians 4:30. Lastly, I call our focus on the will of The Spirit. 1 Corinthians 12:1-11.

Tonight we will look at what some have called the 3 categories of Spiritual Gifts. God uses all of the gifts in each of these three categories to minister to His Church and to accomplish His work in the world.

A. Motivation Gifts- 1 Corinthians 12:4-" . . . *Diversities of gifts . . .*"

How God works in a believer to shape his perspective on life and motivate his words and actions. (See Romans 12:3-8.). At the moment of salvation, a believer receives one of seven motivational gifts.

The motivational gift **shapes how the believer**

_____, _____, and _____.

Each person's behavior will vary according to factors such as temperament, background, age, gender, culture, and circumstances. It is not unusual for those who share the same motivational gift to demonstrate common characteristics. Also, as believers mature, they may act in ways commonly associated with other motivational gifts, but this does not mean that their motivational drive has changed.

B. Ministry Gifts- 1 Corinthians 12:5-" . . . *Differences of administrations . . .*"

How God works with what a believer does to serve and meet the needs of others. (See Ephesians 4:11-13 and I Corinthians 12:27-31.). Ministry gifts are **the tools God uses to build up the Church**. They are practical, essential, can-do types of gifts such as those described in Ephesians 4:11-13: Ministry gifts are **often confirmed by ordination**. The Apostle Paul told Timothy, "Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery" (I Timothy 4:14).

C. Manifestation Gifts- 1 Corinthians 12:6-" . . . *Diversities of operations . . .*"

How God works through a believer in a given situation to demonstrate His supernatural power. (See I Corinthians 12:7-11.). Manifestation gifts are supernatural demonstrations of the Holy Spirit's presence and power. The Spirit of God is the Source of these gifts, and they are manifested for the benefit of others and to bring God glory.

Activity: In your groups make a list of each gift in each of the 3 categories.

Next week: The Motivational Gifts (Administration, Operation, Manifestation)