

WESLEY SPIRITUAL GIFTS QUESTIONNAIRE

for

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INTRODUCTION

Every Christian has received from the Holy Spirit a certain gift or gifts. As Paul states in Romans 12:16, "God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well." (The Living Bible). In this way, the Holy Spirit displays God's power through each of us as a means of building the entire church. It then becomes our Christian duty to put these gifts into action for the benefit of the Kingdom.

Before taking this analysis, you should understand four fundamental prerequisites for spiritual gift discovery. To definitely discover your spiritual gifts you must:

- 1. Be a Christian. You must be a committed member of the Body of Christ.
- 2. <u>Believe in Spiritual Gifts</u>. You must accept the fact that God has blessed you with one or more gifts.
- 3. <u>Be Willing to Work</u>. You must intend to do the job for which your spiritual gifts has equipped you. God will not show you your gifts just to satisfy your curiosity.
- 4. <u>Pray</u>. You must pray before, during, and after this process. Since God wants you to discover your gifts, He certainly will guide and direct you as you attempt to identify them.

As you begin the process of discovering your spiritual gifts, keep in mind that the results will show you how you are equipped to serve the Lord, helping to build up the church, the Body of Christ, to a position of strength and maturity ... to the point of being filled full with Christ.

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Instructions

- 1. Go through the list of 120 statements on the Wesley Spiritual Gifts Questionnaire (pp. 4-11). For each one, say to yourself: "In my life I have satisfactorily experienced...," then check the appropriate box: "Much," "Some," "Little," or "Not At All."
- 2. When you are finished, follow the directions for scoring the questionnaire given on page 12.
- 3. Looking at the "Total" column of the Wesley Gifts Chart on page 12, enter below in the "Dominant" section the three gifts on which you received the highest scores. Enter in the "Subordinate" section the next three highest-scoring gifts. This will give you a tentative evaluation of where your gifts may lie.

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Subordinate:	1		5			
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This inventory is based on your past experience. If you are over 30 or have been a Christian ten years or more (and beyond your teen years), then you should only deal with what you have already experienced.

If you are under 30 or have been a Christian less than ten years, you may want to do this exam based on your interests. Be fair in evaluating your interests, that is, do you really feel this way or do you just think you ought to? If you base your answers on interests, you will need to go out and test the results. Remember, the true test of a spiritual gift is your effectiveness as you use it, subjective feelings, and confirmation from other believers. See page 17 at the end of this booklet, "Discover Your Spiritual Gifts."

"In r	my life I have satisfactorily experienced"	(3) MUCH	(2) SOME	(1) LITTLE	(0) NOT AT ALL
1.	Proclaiming the truth of God in an inspired and enthusiastic manner.				
2.	Having responsibility for the growth of a group of Christians.				
3.	Adapting well in a different culture in order to evangelize.				
4.	Leading other people to a decision for salvation through faith in Christ.				
5.	Speaking words of encouragement to those who are troubled, discouraged, or not sure of themselves.				
6.	Finding pleasure in the drawing and/or designing of various objects.				
7.	Applying truth effectively in my life.				
8.	Being able to help other people learn biblical facts and details which aid in the building up of their lives.	ž v.			
9.	Seeing the difference between truth and error.				
10.	Having the ability to discover new truths for myself.				
11.	Knowing that the repair and maintenance of things in my environment comes easily to me.				
12.	Managing money well in order that I can give liberally to the work of the Lord.				
13.	Assisting key leaders to relieve them for their essential job.				
14.	Providing food and/or lodging graciously and willingly to people who are in need.				>
15.	Joyfully singing praises to God either alone or with other people.				
16.	Praying for other people and often losing track of the time.				

44.7		(3)	(2)	(1)	(0)
"In	my life I have satisfactorily experienced"	MUCH	SOME	LITTLE	NOT AT ALL
17.	Persuading other people to accomplish pre-set goals and objectives.		-		
18.	Working joyfully with and helping those people who are ignored by the majority of those around them.				
19.	Believing God will keep His promises in spite of circumstances.				
20.	Being able to discern when to delegate important responsibilities, and to whom to delegate it.	-		۵	
21.	Being able to effectively play a musical instrument.				
22.	Enjoying the fact that I am called on to do special jobs.				
23.	Being able to glorify God by miraculously changing circumstances through the name of the Lord.		-		
24.	Being able, in the name of the Lord, to bring help to physical afflictions.				
25.	Preaching the Word of God in a manner that brings conviction to the hearers.				
26.	Sacrificially giving myself for infant or straying Christians.		-		
27.	Learning another well language to help start a church.				
28.	Sharing joyfully with other people how Jesus has brought me to Himself.			ē.	800 20
29.	Being an instrument for dislodging the careless and redirecting the wayward to face spiritual realities.				
30.	Finding joy in painting pictures or making handcrafted objects.				
31.	Being able to intuitively reach good solutions to complicated problems.				

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"In	my life I have satisfactorily experienced"	MUCH	SOME	LITTLE	NOT AT ALL
32.	Enjoying the times I share my biblical knowledge and the knowledge of others with children and/or adults.				
33.	Judging well between the evil and the good.				
34.	Knowing that the insights I possess and share with other people will bring change in attitude and conviction to my fellow Christians.				
35.	Working with various manual projects and enjoying it.				
36.	Giving my money and/or things liberally to the work of the Lord.		-		
37.	Helping in small ways that oftentimes seem to be behind the scene.	-			
38.	Enjoying having guests in my home.				
39.	Leading others in singing songs of praise to God or for pure enjoyment.				
40.	Finding myself praying when I could be doing other things.			_	
41.	Leading Christian followers in a clear direction.				
42.	Talking cheerfully with the elderly, the shut-in person, or those in jails or prisons.				
43.	Having a conviction of the reality of an active God in the daily affairs of my local church.				
44.	Being able to organize ideas, people, things, and time for more effective ministry.		-		
45.	Being involved in a church, school or local instrumental music presentation.				
46.	Enjoying routine work at church that would seemingly bore other people.				
47.	Being empowered by the Spirit to expel demons in the name of the Lord.		2	2	

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"In my life I have satisfactorily experienced"		MUCH	SOME	LITTLE	ALL
48.	Being able to bring healing to the emotionally sick.	35 S			
49.	Communicating great truths of God in a gripping, compelling, clear fashion, and clearly spoken from the Lord.	r			
50.	Knowing and being well known to the same group of people over an extended period of time, and sharing with them in successes and failures.				
51.	Being able to begin new churches with a different language and culture.				
52.	Enjoying meeting other people and sharing with them the joy and peace which Jesus and His love have given me.	-	2		
53.	Verbally challenging the spiritually apathetic.	-			
54.	Finding joy in having a beautiful lawn, flowers and shrubs which are properly placed and cared for.				
55.	Choosing from alternatives an option which usually works.				
56.	Making difficult biblical truths understandable to others.				× 8
57.	Having insights into the motives of people and being able to see beneath the surface.				
58.	Acquiring and mastering new facts and principles which can be applied to given situations to aid others in their growth and stability.				
59.	Enjoying the work necessary for gardening, landscaping and other projects.			-	
60.	Cheerfully giving so that God's work can be extended and helped.			-	
61.	Typing, filing, or recording figures or minutes necessary in the work of the Lord.				×
62.	Having guests and/or visitors in my presence and making them feel welcome and a part of things.	2			

77.5		(3)	(2)	(1)	(0)
"In	my life I have satisfactorily experienced"	MUCH	SOME	LITTLE	NOT AT ALL
63.	Singing familiar Gospel songs with groups of fellow Christians or as solos.				
64.	Taking prayer requests very seriously and praying until the answer comes.				
65.	Having others follow me and the example I set because I have knowledge which contributes to the building of my church.				
66.	Visiting in hospitals and/or retirement homes and knowing that my presence has helped in comforting and cheering those people with whom I have come in contact.				
67.	Trusting in the presence and power of God for the impossible.				N
68.	Planning and administering programs which benefit to my fellow Christians.				
69.	Using my instrumental music talents for the appreciation of my friends and to the glory of God.				
70.	Feeling satisfaction in doing menial tasks for the glory of God.				
71.	Seeing God intervene and do the impossible in my life.				
72.	Being used by God to treat successfully those who are spiritually sick.				
73.	Preaching effectively so as to help people reach a verdict and respond to God.				
74.	Feeding followers by guiding them to selected portions of the Bible.				
75.	Being able to relate well to Christians of a different race, language or culture.				
76.	Seeking out unbelievers in a continual manner in order to win them for Jesus.				·
77.	Being able to effectively counsel those people who are perplexed, confused, quilty or addicted.				

		(3)	(2)	(1)	(0)
"In my	life I have satisfactorily experienced"	MUCH	SOME	LITTLE	NOT AT ALL
78.	Enjoying the times that I am able to create beautiful items especially when they benefit others.				
79.	Having my nominations of certain people for church positions prove to be good selections.				
80.	Training Christians to be obedient disciples of Christ.		,		
81.	Being able to identify ideas, plans or activities that are not true to the Bible.				
82.	Reading and studying a great deal in order to build myself up in the understanding of biblical truths.				~
83.	Finding that my skills in building or repairing objects benefits others.				
84.	Feeling deeply moved when confronted with urgent financial needs in the work of God's Kingdom.				
85.	Being happy when others get credit for what I do.				
86.	Opening my home to visiting preachers and/or missionaries and sharing with them what I have.				
87.	Finding much joy and pleasure in the seemingly simple routine of singing hymns and other Gospel selections.				
88.	Feeling when I am asked to pray for others that my prayers will have tangible results.				
89.	Being able to lead small or large groups of people in decision-making processes.				
90.	Helping other people without expecting them to do anything in return.				2
91.	Being confident that God will bring victory into difficult situations even when others are discouraged.				

"In n	ny life I have satisfactorily experienced"	(3) MUCH	(2) SOME	(1) LITTLE	(0) NOT AT ALL
92.	Being able to set goals and objectives and then to make plans to reach or accomplish them.				
93.	Finding that my ability to perform instrumental music has helped others grow as Christians.				
94.	Being ready to take orders rather than giving them.				
95.	Being an instrument of God's supernatural change in lives and events.				
96.	Praying for others that healing might happen.				
97.	Bringing messages that cut to the heart.				
98.	Bringing back into the fold of God those who have wandered away.				
99.	Having the ability to learn foreign languages.				
100.	Continually going where unbelievers are in order to win them.				
101.	Comforting a Christian in his affliction or suffering.	560 20	n"		
102.	Receiving much joy from working with my hands at various arts and crafts.			42	
103.	Having an unusual sense of the presence of God and personal confidence when important decisions needed to be made.				
104.	Sharing my knowledge of the love of Christ with children and/or adults in an effective and meaningful manner.				
105.	Seeing through a phony before his phoniness is clearly evident.		- 4		
106.	Distinguishing important biblical truths that benefit myself and others as members of the Body of Christ.				
107.	Enjoying maintenance and repair work around the church facilities.		a year		

"In my life I have satisfactorily experienced"	(3) MUCH	(2) SOME	(1) LITTLE	(0) NOT AT ALL
108. Being ready to forego certain privileges in order to give money to God's work.		d.	5	
109. Finding joy in being an aid to someone who can use my help and concern.				
110. Inviting visitors and guests (strangers) home to dinner after Sunday morning worship.			-	
111. Singing as one of my favorite spiritual exercises.				
112. Praying as one of my favorite spiritual exercises.				
113. Being able to motivate other people to become involved in the building up of the church.				·
114. Comforting a fellow Christian during sickness or times of problems and/or anxiety.				
115. Trusting in the reliability of God when all else looks dim.				-
116. Knowing where to place Christians so they can exercise their spiritual gifts.	*			
117. Playing a musical instrument as a helpful spiritual exercise for myself.				
118. Enjoying it when others express a need for my help.				
119. Having God work through my life and often doing impossible things.				
120. Seeing God heal someone in direct answer to my prayers.				

Wesley Gifts Chart

Instructions

In the grid below, enter the numerical value of each of your responses next to the number of the corresponding statement on the preceding pages.

$$Much = 3$$

$$Some = 2$$

$$Little = 1$$

Not At
$$All = 0$$

Now add up the five numbers that you have recorded in each row, placing the sum in the "Total" column.

Determine your gift-mix by circling the three gifts on which you received the highest scores. These are in all probability your dominant gifts. Place a check by the next three highest: these are your subordinate gifts. With this in mind begin to test out these gifts by attempting to use them systematically.

Rows		Value c	of Answe	rs		Total	Gift
Row A	1	25	49	73	97		Prophecy
Row B	2	26	50	74	98		Pastor
Row C	3	27	51	75	99		Missionary
Row D	4	28	52	76	100		Evangelism
Row E	5	29	53	77	101		Exhortation
Row F	6	30	54	78	102		Craftsmanship/Artistic
Row G	7	31	55	79	103		Wisdom
Row H	8	32	56	80	104		Teaching
Row I	9	33	57	81	105	P.	Discernment of Spirits
Row J	10	34	58	82	106		Knowledge
Row K	11	35	59	83	107		Craftsmanship/Manual
Row L	12	36	60	84	108		Giving
Row M	13	37	61	85	109		Helps
Row N	14	38	62	86	110		Hospitality
Row O	15	39	63	87	111		Music/Vocal
Row P	16	40	64	88	112		Prayer
Row Q	17	41	65	89	113		Leadership
Row R	18	42	66	90	114		Mercy
Row S	19	43	67	91	115		Faith
Row T	20	44	68	92	116		Administration
Row U	21	45	69	93	117		Music/Instrumental
Row V	22	46	70	94	118		Service
Row W	23	47	71	95	119		Miracles
Row X	24	48	72	96	120		Healing

Review of Gift Definitions and Scripture References

The following four pages contain suggested definitions of the spiritual gifts. While not meant to be dogmatic or final, these definitions and supporting scriptures do correspond to characteristics of the gifts as expressed in the <u>Wesley Spiritual Gifts Questionnaire</u>.

gint	gifts as expressed in the Wesley Spiritual Gifts Questionnaire.				
Α.	<u>Prophecy</u> . The gift of prophecy is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to proclaim the Word of God with divine unction which brings conviction to the hearers so they recognize that it is truly the Word of God and that they must do something about it.	Acts 2:37-40 Acts 7:54 Acts 17:32-34 Acts 26:24-29 I Thess. 1:5 I Cor. 14:1,3			
B.	<u>Pastor</u> . The gift of pastor is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to assume a long-term personal responsibility for the spiritual welfare of a group of believers.	I Timothy 3:1-7 John 10:1-18 I Peter 5:1-3 Eph. 4:11-14			
C.	<u>Missionary</u> . The gift of missionary is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to minister whatever other spiritual gifts they have in a second culture.	I Cor.9:19-23 Acts 8:4 Acts 13:2-3 Acts 22:21 Romans 10:15			
D.	Evangelist. The gift of evangelist is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to share the gospel with unbelievers in such a way that men and women become Jesus' disciples and responsible members of the body of Christ.	Eph. 4:11-14 Il Timothy 4:5 Acts 8:5-6 Acts 8:26-40 Acts 14:21 Acts 21:8			
E.	Exhortation. The gift of exhortation is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to minister words of comfort, consolation, encouragement, and counsel to other members of the body in such a way that they feel helped and healed.	Romans 12:8 I Timothy 4:13 Hebrews 10:25 Acts 14:22			
F.	<u>Craftsmanship</u> . The gift of craftsmanship is the special ability to use your hands, thoughts and mind to further the Kingdom of God through artistic, creative means. People with this gift may also serve as leaders for others in forming their abilities in this area. The gift may also be used in the areas of maintenance, care and upkeep for the benefit and beautification of God's Kingdom here on Earth.	II Chr. 34:9-13 Ex. 30:22-25 Ex. 31:3-11 Acts 16:14 Acts 18:3			
G.	<u>Wisdom</u> . The gift of wisdom is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to know the mind of the Holy Spirit in such a way as to receive insight into how given knowledge may best be applied to specific needs arising in the body of Christ.	I Cor. 2:1-13 I Cor. 12:8 Acts 6:3,10 James 1:5-6			

II Peter 3:15

Н.	Teaching. The gift of teaching is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to communicate information relevant to the health and ministry of the body and its members in such a way that others will learn.	I Cor. 12:28 Eph. 4:11-14 Romans 12:7 Acts 18:24-28 Acts 20:20-21
I.	<u>Discerning of Spirits</u> . The gift of discerning of spirits is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the Body of Christ to know with assurance whether certain behavior purported to be of God is in reality divine, human, or Satanic.	I Cor. 12:10 Acts 5:1-11 Acts 16:16-18 I John 4:1-6 Matt. 16:21-23
J.	Knowledge. The gift of knowledge is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to discover, accumulate, analyze, and clarify information and ideas which are pertinent to the growth and well-being of the body.	I Cor. 2:14 I Cor. 12:8 Acts 5:1-11 Coloss. 2:2-3 II Cor. 11:6
K.	See F.	II Col. 11:0
L.	Giving. The gift of giving is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to contribute their material resources to the work of the Lord with liberality and cheerfulness.	Romans 12:8 II Cor. 8:1-7 II Cor. 9:2-8 Mark 12:41-44
M.	<u>Helps</u> . The gift of helps is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to invest the talents they have in the life and ministry of other members of the body, with thus enabling those others to increase the effectiveness of their own spiritual gifts.	I Cor. 12:28 Romans 16:1-2 Acts 9:36 Luke 8:2-3 Mark 15:40-41
N.	<u>Hospitality</u> . The gift of hospitality is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to provide an open house and a warm welcome to those in need of food and lodging.	I Peter 4:9 Romans 12:9-13 Romans 16:23 Acts 16:14-15 Hebrews 13:1-2
O.	<u>Music</u> . The gift of music is the special ability to use one's voice in the singing of praises and joy to the Lord for the benefit of others, or to play a musical instrument to the praise of the Lord and for the benefit of others.	I Chr. 16:41-42 II Chr. 5:12-13 II Chr. 34:12 I Sam. 16:16 Deut. 31:22 Psalm 150
P.	<u>Prayer/Intercession</u> . The gift of prayer/intercession is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to pray for extended periods of time on a regular basis and see frequent and specific answers to their prayers, to a degree much greater than that which is expected of the average Christian.	James 5:14-16 I Timothy 2:1-2 Coloss. 1:9-12 Coloss. 4:12-13 Acts 12:12

Luke 22:41-44

Q. Leadership. The gift of leadership is the special ability that God gives I Timothy 5:17 to certain members of the body of Christ to set goals in accordance Acts 7:10 with God's purpose for the future and to communicate these goals Acts 15:7-11 to others in such a way that they voluntarily and harmoniously work Romans 12:8 together to accomplish those goals for the glory of God. Hebrews 13:17 Luke 9:51 Mercy. The gift of mercy is the special ability that God gives to R. Romans 12:8 certain members of the body of Christ to feel genuine empathy and Mark 9:41 compassion for individuals (both Christian and non-Christian) who Acts 16:33-34 suffer distressing physical, mental, or emotional problems, and to Luke 10:33-35 translate that compassion into cheerfully-done deeds which reflect Matt. 20:29-34 Christ's love and alleviate the sufferings. Matt. 25:34-40 Acts 11:28-30 S. <u>Faith</u>. The gift of faith is the special ability that God gives to certain I Cor. 12:9 members of the body of Christ to discern with extraordinary Acts 11:22-24 confidence the will and purposes of God for his work. Acts 27:21-25 Hebrews 11 Romans 4:18-21 T. Administration. The gift of administration is the special ability that I Cor. 12:28 God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to understand Acts 6:1-7 clearly the immediate and long-range goals of a particular unit of the Acts 27:11 body of Christ and to devise and execute effective plans for the Luke 14:28-30 accomplishment of those goals. U. See O. Service. The gift of service is the special ability that God gives to V. II Tim. 1:16-18 certain members of the body of Christ to identify the unmet needs Romans 12:7 involved in a task related to God's work, and to make use of Acts 6:1-7 available resources to meet those needs and help accomplish the Titus 3:14 desired results. Gal. 6:2,10 Miracles. The gift of miracles is the special ability that God gives to W. I Cor. 12:10.28 certain members of the body of Christ to serve as human Acts 9:36-42 intermediaries through whom it pleases God to perform powerful Acts 19:11-20 acts that are perceived by observers to have altered to ordinary Acts 20:7-12 course of nature. Romans 15:18-19 II Cor. 12:12 Healing. The gift of healing is the special ability that God gives to X. I Cor. 12:9,28 certain members of the body of Christ to serve as human Acts 3:1-10 intermediaries through whom it pleases God to cure illness and Acts 5:12-16

> Acts 9:32-35 Acts 28:7-10

restore health apart from the use of natural means.

There are some other gifts mentioned or implied in Scripture which have not been included as part of this Spiritual Gifts Questionnaire. Definitions for those gifts are listed below.

AA	A. Apostle. The gift of apostle is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to assume and exercise general leadership over a number of churches with an extraordinary authority in spiritual matters which is spontaneously recognized and appreciated by those churches.	I Cor. 12:28 II Cor. 12:12 Eph. 4:11-14 Eph. 3:1-9 Acts 15:1,2
		Gal. 2:7-10
BE	3. <u>Languages/Tongues</u> . The gift of tongues is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to speak a divinely-anointed message in a language they have never learned.	Acts 2:1-13 Acts 10:44-46 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 16:17
C	C. <u>Interpretation</u> . The gift of interpretation is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to make known to listeners what one has said in a language different from the hearers.	I Cor. 12:10,30 I Cor. 14:13 I Cor. 14:26-28

The following two gifts are not in a gift list in the New Testament Scriptural Support.

DD	. <u>Celibacy</u> . The gift of celibacy is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to remain single and enjoy it and not suffer undue sexual temptations for the sake of Christ.	Matt. 19:10-12
EE.	<u>Martyrdom</u> . The gift of martyrdom is the special ability that God gives to certain members of the body of Christ to undergo suffering for the faith even to the point of death, while consistently displaying a joyous and victorious attitude which brings glory to God.	I Cor. 13:3 Acts 5:27-41 Acts 7:54-60 Acts 12:1-5 II Cor. 11:21-30 II Cor. 12:9-10

STEP 3: DISCOVER YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

You have only just begun a process of discovering your spiritual gifts. As you reflect on the gifts you tentatively identified through the Wesley Spiritual Gifts Questionnaire, try to discern which ones truly are or are not your gifts. To do so, follow this five-step approach:

- 1. Explore the Possibilities. Read through the three key chapters in Holy Scripture dealing with spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 12, Romans 12, Ephesians 4). Learn what the gifts are, what characterizes them, and how they function in the Body of Christ, so that you have something concrete to look for.
- 2. Experiment with as Many Gifts as Possible. The spiritual gifts analysis which you have just completed has helped you experiment with different gifts. Your feelings, reactions, and general outlook on the gifts were measured as you worked through the statements on pages 4-11. Now you need to experiment further with the dominant and subordinate gifts you listed on page 3. Unless you try to use these gifts, it will be difficult to know if you have them. Get involved in a ministry activity that will let you try them.
- 3. Examine Your Feelings. Since God has put the Body together, you will feel fulfilled when functioning in the proper area. If you enjoy your attempts to use a particular gift, it is a good sign that you possess that gift. If however you dislike the service activities associated with a certain gift, it is a fairly good sign that you do not have that gift.

Take time to examine your feelings regarding the gifts you identified through this questionnaire, both in the dominant and subordinate clusters. Are you comfortable with them? Do you feel that they are true reflections of yourself? Do you feel secure in the fact that you will be able to put your gifts to work in the Lord's Kingdom? Pray for the Holy Spirit's help and discernment as you examine your feelings concerning these gifts.

- 4. Evaluate Your Effectiveness. Since spiritual gifts are designated to benefit others, you should see positive results as you use your gifts. If you do not see results when you experiment with a particular gift, you probably do not have that gift. But it could be that you did not give the gift a fair try, or that it will simply take time for you to learn to use the gift effectively. As you evaluate, pray for the courage to be honest with yourself and with your Lord.
- 5. Expect Confirmation from the Body. No gift can be discovered, developed, and used all on your own. Gifts are given to build up other members of the Body. If you have a gift, other Christians will recognize it and give you confirmation of it. If you feel that you have a particular gift but no one else agrees with you, then you should take a closer look at yourself and re-evaluate.

Remember, in all these five steps, the key is prayer. The Lord will lead you to an accurate discovery of your gifts if you allow Him to guide and direct you in all your endeavors.