

PROPHECY

Pursue love, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, especially that you may prophesy. The one who prophesies speaks to people for their upbuilding and encouragement and consolation. (1 Cor 14:1,3)

Ministry Gifts

- Corporate gifts for the common good
- Apostleship, **Prophecy**, Evangelism, Pastoring, Teaching
- Empowered and apportioned by the Spirit

Speaking the word of God

- Speaking: To those who don't hear Him (Ex 20:18-21)
- Prophetic proclamation (Is 6:8-10)
- Word of Wisdom: Proclaim God's words (confirmation)
- Word of knowledge: A unique or special message (conviction)
- Hearing: recognize His voice (John 10:2-5)
 - Listening prayer, meditation, vision, dream, worship

Stewarding the gift

- Ask and Practice
 - Prophetic office: having the gift, often utilized
 - Prophetic gift: a specific message and audience
 - Permission to share
- Corporate Prophecy (1 Cor 14:26-33)
 - For building up the body (equipping the saints)
 - Prophet speaks and others weigh what is said
 - Take turns, deferring to the revelation from the Spirit
 - The spirits of prophets are subject to prophets
- God's Message
 - Don't embellish or (mis)interpret (Num 20:10-13)
 - Don't take responsibility (Ez 37:3-7)
 - Don't take the credit (pride)
- Unredeemed Expressions (sown to the flesh)
 - "Knowledge is power" (control, pride vs. exhortation)
 - Distinctions (separation, independence, rejection vs. unity)

Anointing

Then the Spirit of the LORD will rush upon you, and you will be turned into another man. Do what your hand finds to do, for God is with you (1 Sam 10:6-7).