

Spiritual Gifts – Part 2

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. - 1 Peter 4:10-11

Source

- Given at your creation (God's design)
- Activated at your re-creation (Salvation)
- Empowered at your filling (Spiritual gifts)
- Released by your will (Choice)

Development

- Capability (strength, talent, potential)
- Skill (discovered, developed, enhanced)
- Unredeemed gifts
 - Adaptation (sown to the flesh, self-fulfillment)
 - Coping Strategy (sown to the flesh, self-protection)
- Redeemed gifts (sown to the Spirit, supernaturally empowered)

Discovery

- Earnestly desire the spiritual gifts (1 Cor 12:31)
- Apportioned to each one as He wills (1 Cor 12:11)
 - Gift variety requires relationship
 - Gift distribution requires community (unity)
- Holy Spirit power
 - Personal effort, but no striving (self-effort)
 - Personal direction, but no anxiousness (responsibility)
 - Fruitful and multiplied results (30, 60, 100 fold)

Spiritual Gifts Inventory

- Primary gift(s) are irrevocable (Rom 11:29)
- Gift mix, or gift cluster
- Supporting gift(s)
- Temporary gifts(s)

But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as He chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. - 1 Cor 12:18-20