

The Gifts of the Spirit : The Gift of Prophecy (Part 1) March 02, 2008

Review

Categories of Spiritual Gifts

Spiritual Gifts

Membership Gifts Romans 12:6-9

- Ephesians 4:7 1 Peter 4:10,11
- ➤ Gifts of Christ
- > Every believer has one or more membership gifts
- > prophecy, ministry(service), teaching, exhortation (encouragement), giving, leadership, mercy (compassion), and many more

Ministry Gifts Ephesians 4:11

- > Gifts of Christ
- > Some have been given one or ministry gifts
- > Five ministry gifts (apostle, prophet, pastor, teacher, evangelist)

1 Corinthians 12:28

Gifts of the Spirit
1 Corinthians 12:7-

- Gifts of the Spirit given to believers
- > Every believer can potentially manifest all of the nine gifts of the Spirit

Understanding the gifts of the Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

The Gifts of the Spirit

> 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Revelation Gifts (Gifts that "reveal" something)	Vocal Gifts (Gifts that "say" something)	<u>Power Gifts</u> (Gifts that "do" something)
Word of knowledge	Tongues	Faith
Word of wisdom	Interpretation of tongues	Gifts of healings
Discerning of spirits	Prophecy	Working of miracles



- The gifts of the Spirit are given to all believers.
- We are to desire spiritual gifts while maintaining our love-walk
- Every believer can manifest all of the nine gifts of the Spirit
- Because spiritual things can be taught, believers can be taught and trained in the release of the gifts of the Spirit.
- Often, several gifts can flow in conjunction with one another to accomplish a specific work that God wants done. We receive "gift-packs".
- The gifts of the Spirit are no indication of spiritual maturity
- The gifts of the Spirit can be manifested anywhere, at any time. They are out "tool box".

Our goal in this series of teaching is to get believers trained and released to flow in the gifts of the Spirit. We need to press in to see more of the gifts manifesting through our lives.

We need to be activated in the gifts. We also need to learn the right and wrong usages, so that we avoid getting in to error and causing hurt and damage.

The Gift of Prophecy (Part 1)

(Some of this was taught in Church Camp 2005. Will do a complete teaching and impartation on prophetic ministry some time later)

Prophecy is simply God speaking to man through man. It is simply a message from God which a person receives and communicates.

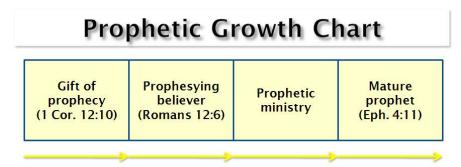
Purpose of prophecy

1 Corinthians 14:3

The simple gift of prophecy is given for **edification**, **exhortation** and **comfort**.

In addition to the above, a person in prophetic ministry or a mature prophet would consistently flow in **correction**, **direction**, **revelation**, and **prediction** (fore-telling).

Prophetic Growth chart



A tree is known by its fruit.

Let people see your fruit and decide what you are!



There is a quickening/acceleration in the things of the Spirit taking place. What used to take several years to learn, the present generation in learning in months! The present generation is building on the foundation of the previous.

Expressing prophecy

Speak it, Pray it, Sing it, Do it

- 1. All can prophesy. 1 Corinthians 14:1,5,31,39
- 2. We prophesy in part. 1 Corinthians 13:9
- 3. All prophecy must be judged. 1 Corinthians 14:29,30 1 Thessalonians 5:20,21

 The Giver of the gift is perfect and the gift is perfect but the vessel through which the gift is being released is not perfect. Therefore, often times, the message comes through tainted with some of the individual's own thoughts and ideas.
- 4. How and when you deliver the message is in your control. 1 Corinthians 14:32

 The presentation of the revelation is as important as the revelation itself.

 Proverbs 25:11
- 5. Do not be too hasty to use the "Thus saith the Lord" or "The Lord says" as a prefix to your prophesy. Instead, it would be much better to just say "I sense in my spirit" or "I sense the Lord laying this on my heart for you...." etc....because this allows the recipient to judge what you are saying.
- 6. Prophecy can flow along with other gifts (gift-packs)

Power or impact of prophecy

- The prophetic word brings edification, exhortation and comfort 1 Corinthians 14:3,4
- 2. The prophetic word reveals one's true character and potential John 1:47
- 3. The prophetic word brings a revelation of the plans and purposes of God providing confirmation and direction Romans 8:14 John 16:14,15
- 4. The prophetic word stirs up and causes a release of faith to believe God for the supernatural Elijah and the widow at Zarapheth (1 Kings 17). Elisha and the widow (2 Kings 6)
- 5. The prophetic word provides motivation and strength to carry out the plans and purposes of God Ezra 4:24 Ezra 5:1,2 Ezra 6:14 Zechariah 4:6,7
- 6. The prophetic word brings correction, restoration and preservation 2 Samuel 11:27–12:1, Hosea 12:13
- 7. The prophetic word causes conviction, repentance and a turning to God 1 Corinthians 14:24,25
- 8. The prophetic word transforms a group, community, city or nation

 Jeremiah 1:9,10





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