

## The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

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There are nine gifts of the Holy Spirit as mentioned in **1 Corinthians 12 NKJV**

It is given for the profit of all – **1 Corinthians 12:7**

## Word of Wisdom

Reveals future

**Genesis 18:17 NKJV**

<sup>17</sup> And the LORD said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am doing,

**Genesis 18:20–21 NKJV**

<sup>20</sup> And the LORD said, “Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grave,

<sup>21</sup> I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry against it that has come to Me; and if not, I will know.”

Other examples are Jonah and Nineveh, Lord Jesus revealing end-time events.

This gift can operate through dreams, visions

## Word of Knowledge

Reveals past and present

**Acts 5:3 NKJV**

<sup>3</sup> But Peter said, “Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back *part* of the price of the land for yourself?

Other examples are Prophet Ahijah - king Jeroboam, his wife and sick child.

1 Kings 14:6-16

Nathan exposes David’s sin. 2 Samuel 12.

# Faith

## Supernatural Faith

### **Acts 3:6 NKJV**

<sup>6</sup> Then Peter said, “Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk.”

*This is not Saving Faith (Faith exercised at the time of salvation), and not Working Faith (Faith that comes by reading God’s word – Romans 10:17),*

*This is Supernatural Faith which comes when the anointing of the Holy Spirit is poured upon us (This gift is the catalyst that ignites the next 2 gifts which are healing and the working of miracles)*

## Healing

### **Matthew 15:30 NKJV**

<sup>30</sup> Then great multitudes came to Him, having with them *the* lame, blind, mute, maimed, and many others; and they laid them down at Jesus’ feet, and He healed them.

### **Acts 19:11–12 NKJV**

<sup>11</sup> Now God worked unusual miracles by the hands of Paul,

<sup>12</sup> so that even handkerchiefs or aprons were brought from his body to the sick, and the diseases left them, and the evil spirits went out of them.

## Miracles

### **Matthew 14:21 NKJV**

<sup>21</sup> Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

*Other examples include Peter’s catch of fish, Jesus walking on water, Jesus turning water into wine, and Paul being bitten by a poisonous snake and didn’t die.*

## Prophecy

### **1 Corinthians 14:3 NKJV**

<sup>3</sup> But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.

*Prophecy gift is given to encourage and lift the spirits of church and individual. This gift unlike word of wisdom does not reveal specific future events. It reveals generic events. For example, Zecharia prophecies about how John the Baptist will be the horn of salvation.*

### **Luke 1:67–69 NKJV**

<sup>67</sup> Now his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying:

<sup>68</sup> “Blessed *is* the Lord God of Israel, For He has visited and redeemed His people,

<sup>69</sup> And has raised up a horn of salvation for us In the house of His servant David,

## Discerning Spirit

Discern means recognize and distinguish. This gift recognizes and distinguishes good and bad spirits and intentions of an individual or group.

### **Acts 13:8–10 NKJV**

<sup>8</sup> But Elymas the sorcerer (for so his name is translated) withstood them, seeking to turn the proconsul away from the faith.

<sup>9</sup> Then Saul, who also *is called* Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him

<sup>10</sup> and said, “O full of all deceit and all fraud, *you* son of the devil, *you* enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord?

Other examples include the incident at the Road to Emmaus recorded in Luke 24.

Peter rebukes Simon the sorcerer – Acts 8:9-24

## Different kinds of tongues

Tongues are different kinds. It is sometimes human language itself. The individual who speaks in tongues may not know that human language (Acts 2), sometimes when spoken it will be angelic language (1 Corinthians 13:1).

This gift edifies and spiritually uplifts the individual who speaks it.

### **1 Corinthians 14:4 NKJV**

<sup>4</sup> He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church.

### **Isaiah 28:11 NKJV**

<sup>11</sup> For with stammering lips and another tongue He will speak to this people.

### **1 Corinthians 13:1 NKJV**

<sup>1</sup> Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal.

# Interpretation of tongues

This gift interprets the meaning of tongues. The same individual who speaks in tongues can also interpret it or others who have this gift can interpret it.

## **1 Corinthians 14:26–27 NLT**

<sup>26</sup> Well, my brothers and sisters, let's summarize. When you meet together, one will sing, another will teach, another will tell some special revelation God has given, one will speak in tongues, and another will interpret what is said. But everything that is done must strengthen all of you.

## **Isaiah 50:4 NIV**

<sup>4</sup> The Sovereign LORD has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed.