
The Christian and Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1-31

Paul instructed the Corinthians that when they met together as the body of Christ, their focus should be on God. They also needed to have care and concern for other believers. Spiritual gifts need the same focus and concern. Because gifts can be misunderstood and misused, Paul identifies the relationship between the Christian and spiritual gifts.

1. We are to have _____ of the gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1-3

a) There is spiritual _____ that is evil and spiritual direction that is good (vs. 2)

b) The Holy Spirit directs us toward making Jesus _____ (vs. 3)

➤ My spirit should be directed by _____ Spirit.

2. There is _____ in the gifts

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

a) There is a _____ of gifts but the same Spirit (vs. 4-6)

b) A manifestation of the Spirit is given to each Christian for the _____ good (vs. 7-10)

c) The Spirit distributes the gifts just as He _____ (vs. 11)

➤ The gift I have is given by the Spirit for _____.

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3. There is a _____ of gifts

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

a) The Spirit _____ us into the body of Christ. We are to use our gift in that body (vs. 12-17)

b) _____ places the members in the body of Christ as He desires (vs. 18-27)

c) God has _____ apostles, prophets, teachers, miracles, healings, helps, administrations and tongues in the church (vs. 28-30)

d) There is something more _____ than your gift (vs. 31)

➤ I must _____ God's appointment of me in the body of Christ.

❖ Insight for life:

I will _____ how the Spirit has gifted me for the Body of Christ and _____ the role that God has given me.

My Thoughts:

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1. We are to have awareness of the gifts

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 - My spirit should be directed by God's Spirit.

2. There is unity in the gifts

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- a) There is a variety of gifts but the same Spirit (vs. 4-6)
- b) A manifestation of the Spirit is given to each Christian for the common good (vs. 7-10)
- c) The Spirit distributes the gifts just as He will (vs. 11)
 - The gift I have is given by the Spirit for others.

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3. There is a diversity of gifts

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- a) The Spirit baptizes us into the body of Christ. We are to use our gift in that body (vs. 12-17)
- b) God places the members in the body of Christ as He desires (vs. 18-27)
- c) God has appointed apostles, prophets, teachers, miracles, healings, helps, administrations and tongues in the church (vs. 28-30)
- d) There is something more excellent than your gift (vs. 31)
 - I must fulfill God's appointment of me in the body of Christ.

❖ Insight for life:

I will discover how the Spirit has gifted me for the Body of Christ and fulfill the role that God has given me.

My Thoughts: