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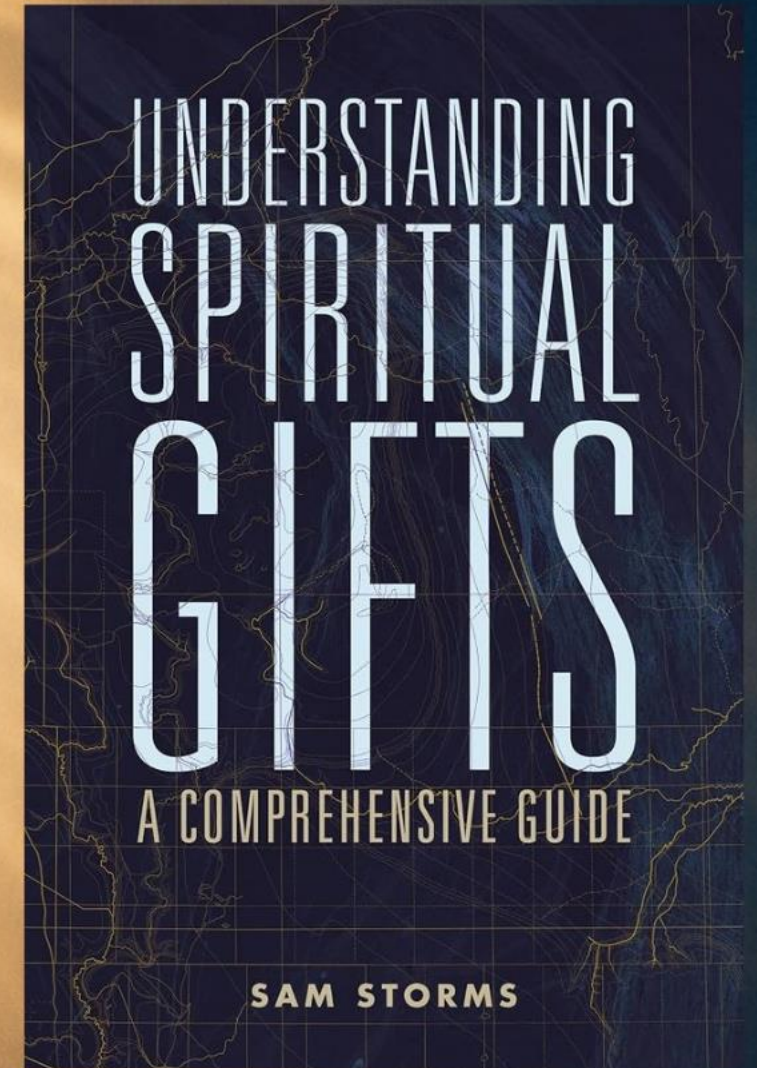
a series on spiritual gifts



What is a spiritual gift?

“A **spiritual gift** is when the Holy Spirit manifests his presence and imparts his power into and through individual believers to enable them to exceed the limitations of their finite humanity so that they might faithfully and effectively fulfill certain ministry tasks for the building up of the body of Christ.”

Sam Storms, *Understanding Spiritual Gifts* (pg.20)



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Sermon Series Overview

1. Gifts of Grace
2. Equipping the Saints
3. **Many Gifts, One Spirit**
4. **The Gifts That Make Us Nervous**
5. **Discover Your Gifts & Use Them!**



SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 12:1-11
Romans 12:3-8







"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all... A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other." **Paul, 1 Corinthians 12:4, 7 NLT**

GIFTS THAT REVEAL TRUTH



TEACHING



WISDOM



KNOWLEDGE



PROPHECY



DISCERNMENT

— These gifts help the Church **know God's truth.** —

GIFTS THAT STRENGTHEN PEOPLE



ENCOURAGEMENT



MERCY



FAITH



SHEPHERDING

— These gifts **care for people.** —

GIFTS THAT MOBILIZE MINISTRY



LEADERSHIP



ADMINISTRATION



SERVICE



GIVING

— These gifts help the Church **function effectively.** —

GIFTS THAT DEMONSTRATE GOD'S POWER



HEALING



MIRACLES



TONGUES



INTERPRETATION

— These gifts **reveal God's power** in unique ways. —



OTHER SPIRITUAL GIFTS FOR TODAY

SPIRIT-EMPOWERED ABILITIES FOR THE BUILDING UP OF THE CHURCH



HOSPITALITY



INTERCESSORY
PRAYER



RECOVERY
CARE



WORSHIP
LEADERSHIP



COUNSELING /
SOUL CARE



DISCIPLE-
MAKING



CROSS-CULTURAL
MISSION



MENTORING



CREATIVE
ARTS



RECONCILIATION



TECHNOLOGY
MINISTRY



COMMUNICATION
& MEDIA



APOLOGETICS



AND MORE...

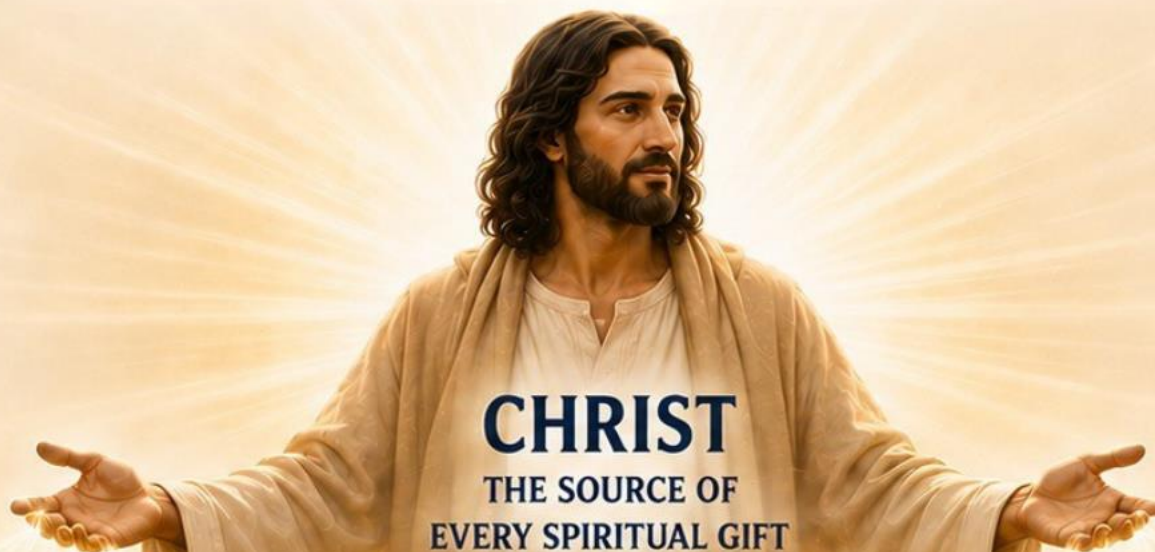


“He has given each one of us a special gift through the generosity of Christ.”

Ephesians 4:7 (NLT)



ALL SPIRITUAL GIFTS
ARE ASPECTS OF
CHRIST’S CHARACTER
AND POWERS.



CHRIST
THE SOURCE OF
EVERY SPIRITUAL GIFT

HE GIVES... SO WE CAN



APOSTLE



PROPHET



EVANGELIST



PASTOR



TEACHER



SERVICE



LEADERSHIP



MERCY



FAITH



DISCERNMENT



AND MORE...



HE POSSESSES
ALL THE GIFTS

In Christ dwells all
the fullness of God.

Colossians 2:9



HE SHARES
THE GIFTS

The Holy Spirit
distributes gifts to
build up believers
and His church.

1 Corinthians 12:7

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Three Main Takeaways

1. Every Spiritual Gift is a Gift of Grace

No one earns a spiritual gift or chooses one for themselves. Every gift is graciously given by the Holy Spirit according to God's wisdom and purpose. Our value and worth is not measured by our spiritual gift. Our gift(s) are for blessing the church and furthering God's mission.

Big Idea: *You are loved by God as his most prized possession, therefore, he blesses you with a gift—not a reward, but a gift of grace.*



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2. Different Gifts Don't Divide the Church—They Complete It

God intentionally creates diversity within the Body of Christ. Rather than comparing or competing, we're called to appreciate how every person and their gift contributes to the health and mission of the church.

Big Idea: *Unity isn't everyone being the same; it's everyone faithfully bringing what the Spirit has uniquely given them to bless the Body.*



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3. Faithfulness Matters More Than Visibility

The value of a spiritual gift isn't determined by how public or impressive it appears, but by how faithfully it is used to build up others and glorify Christ. "Behind the scenes" gifts are just as important as "the stage" gifts.

Big Idea: *The public recognition and visibility of your gift is not what is important—only to faithfully use the gift that God has entrusted to you.*



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3. What's one gift God has entrusted to me, and how is the Spirit calling me to use my gifts at Grantham Church?



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