

THE MANIFESTATIONS OF THE SPIRIT

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“But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. (8) For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; (9) To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; (10) To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: (11) But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.”

1st Corinthians 12:7-11

Verse seven of one translation says, *“each person is given something to do that shows who God is.”* The gifts of the Spirit are given to the church to build the church of Jesus Christ. These supernatural gifts are tools given to each of us to edify, strengthen, equip and build the body. These gifts of the Spirit along with the fruits of the Spirit are given to each of us so we can be an expression of Christ in the earth. The Lord expresses Himself differently through each individual. There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

These divine gifts are not only for use in Christ’s church, but even more so in the world. These gifts of the Spirit are the Lord’s marketing tools of the Kingdom. The Kingdom of God does not come in word alone, but power. These power gifts, when manifested, get the eyes of man off of himself and on Jesus. It is the way the Lord draws attention to Himself. There are nine gifts in all, which speaks of the nine aspects of the ministry of Christ. The fruits of the Spirit reveal the life of Christ, and the gifts of the Spirit reveal the ministry of Christ. The church needs both to fully manifest Him in the earth.

There are three speaking gifts; divers kind of tongues, interpretation of tongues and prophecy. These gifts are speaking gifts that enable us to speak like God. The three knowing gifts are the word of knowledge, word of wisdom, and discerning of spirits. These revelation gifts empower us to think like God. The three doing gifts are faith, working of miracles and gifts of healing. These power gifts enable us to do the works of God. Paul tells us the Spirit of God divides these gifts severally to each of us at His will. When we receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost, several of these gifts are imparted to each believer. Upon receiving these gifts we must discern what they are, and then begin to develop them through prayer, fasting, and exercising our gifts. Exercising these gifts is like exercising the natural body. The more you exercise your muscles the stronger they get. As we use and develop

these gifts the more powerful they will become. We become the channel for these supernatural gifts to flow through. Power plants have generators that become the source of power for every home. The power is released by a simple switch or a breaker on the wall that travels to a lamp so we can have light. If we never turn the switch on we will never see the power. The power cannot be seen for it is invisible, but the lamp when the switch is turned on gives us the evidence of that power. Christ is in us, the Hope of Glory. Right now we cannot see Him, but He is still in us and is the source of heaven's power. Until we release the "faith switch" no one can see, nor will they know the power of the Holy Spirit in our world. The just shall live by faith. Faith alone releases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

"Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery."

1 Timothy 4:14

Paul told his son Timothy not to neglect the gift that was in him. The opposite of neglect is to accomplish which means to act or complete.

"Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands."

2 Timothy 1:6

In Paul's second letter to Timothy, he is told to stir up the gift within. Through a believers neglecting of the gift, the fire of God within dies out and needs to be rekindled. Each and every one of us has a responsibility to kindle afresh the gifts that the Lord has imparted into our spirits. The word of God tells us that faith worketh by

love. Faith is a gift of the Spirit and love is a fruit. Therefore; love must be the motivation of every gift of the Spirit. If we do not love the Lord or love people, our gifts will be hindered from operating. In the first letter of Paul to the church at Corinth he established divine order to an immature church on how they were to flow in the gifts, and after thirty verses of instruction he told them to desire spiritual gifts, yet there was a better way, the way of love.

"But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet show I unto you a more excellent way."

1 Corinthians 12:31

It is vitally important that we keep balance between the gifts of the Spirit and the fruits of the Spirit, His Love. The Lord never measures our maturity by gifts, but by love. The candlestick in the tabernacle of Moses had eighteen sets of ornaments on it which represent the nine fruits of the Spirit, and the nine gifts of the Spirit given by the Lord to "ornament" or beautify the church. We see in the typology of the candlestick the need for balance of fruits and gifts.

"Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you."

John 16:13-15

Everything Jesus did was not out of his divinity, but his humanity via the Holy

Spirit. He depended solely on the Holy Spirit to show Him. Jesus has sent His Holy Spirit into our hearts so he can speak to us, guide us and reveal to us the things to come. Therefore; we must become acquainted with the person of the Holy Spirit if we are to effectively move in the gifts of the Spirit. In verse fifteen we are told that all that is the Fathers is also the Sons, and He will take what is His and distribute it to us. How amazing it is to know that all the glories and riches of God's Kingdom are accessible through the Holy Spirit. We live in a day in which the Lord desires to manifest His power in all the earth. Daniel said the people who do know their God shall do great exploits. To know the Lord is to be intimate with the Lord. Notice the knowing comes before the exploits. The gifts of the Spirit are being restored to the church in this present

hour. Signs and wonders like no generation has ever seen before. Creative miracles and healings will arrest the world and bring many into the Kingdom. The time has come to arise and shine for our light has come and His glory shall be seen in and through His church.

In closing let me encourage you to stir up the gift of God that is resident within you, and release the Holy Ghost to reveal the nature and ministry of Christ to your world.



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