

The Serving Gifts, Part 2

Various Passages

1. The gift of _____.

The Spirit-given ability to discover, accumulate, analyze and _____ information and ideas that are pertinent to the growth and well-being of the Body. (Dan. 9:1-3)

This gift is mentioned by Paul in 1 Cor. 12:8. It is essentially a _____ gift.

2. The gift of _____.

The Spirit-given ability to know the mind of the Holy Spirit in such a way as to receive _____ into how given knowledge may be best _____ to specific needs arising in the Body of Christ. (Acts 15:12-21)

This gift is also mentioned in 1 Cor. 12:8. This is a _____ gift.

3. The gift of _____.

The Spirit-given ability to discern with extraordinary _____ the will and purpose of God for the future of His work. (Acts 3:6; 4:19-20)

But the gift of faith is the ability to sense what God wants to do with enough confidence that it makes the _____ seem possible.

4. The gift of _____.

The Spirit-given ability to contribute _____ resources to the work of the Lord with liberality and cheerfulness. (Acts 4:32-37)

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Discussion Questions for the week of Dec. 5, 2021

Getting to Know Me

- Who is the most famous person you've ever met in person? What was the occasion?
- What do you enjoy doing with your "spare time?"

Into the Bible

- What one thing stood out to you in this week's sermon as something important to understand and apply?

- Why do you think the Holy Spirit would include the gifts of wisdom and knowledge (scholar and problem solving) in the gifts He gave to the Church? Did you know that some teachers and denominations define these gifts as receiving new revelation or messages directly from God and inspiration in applying these revelations? Why is this not a likely definition for these gifts? (Hint: See Jude 3 and Rev. 22:19)

- Contrast Barnabas in Acts 4:32-37 with Ananias and Sapphira in Acts 5:1-11. Obviously, Barnabas acts like someone who genuinely has a gift of giving and Ananias and Sapphira are faking it. What does the truth of Gal. 6:7, "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap," have to say to this situation? To our use of spiritual gifts in general?

- Faith is a role that all Christians must step into, but some Christians are gifted with a spiritual gift of faith. What is the difference between the faith all Christians must have and the spiritual gift of faith? (See Heb. 11:1)

Application

- Do you enjoy studying or research? Have you ever considered writing a book? What scholarly or insightful book or article has helped you in your Christian life?

- Have you ever known a Christian whose faith left you speechless? If so, who and how?