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Two reasons for straying from the truth:

Matt 22:29, 'You are mistaken, not knowing the Scriptures nor the power of God'

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When the Holy Spirit uses people to make Himself manifest in a meeting or public place, He usually manifests in one of these gifts. They are given to make the Holy Spirit's presence apparent as they demonstrate in supernatural ways that He is with His church.

Introduction to Spirituality

1 Cor 12:1 - 11

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: 2 You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. 3 Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.

4 There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. 6 And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. 7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: 8 for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.

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- 1 Cor 1 - 6: Paul is dealing with issues in the Church from the reports he received.
- 1 Cor 7:1, “Now, concerning the things which you wrote to me...”
- 1 Cor 7:10, “Now to the married...”
- 1 Cor 7:25, “Now concerning virgins...”
- 1 Cor 8:1, “Now concerning things offered to idols...”
- 1 Cor 9 - 11 He covers various subjects, people paid in ministry, the Lords supper...
- 1 Cor 12, “Now concerning the spiritual brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant...”

- 1 Cor 16:1, “Now concerning the collection for the saints...”

<p align="center">CHARISMA 'divine gratuity, a spiritual endowment, religious qualification, miraculous faculty, free gift.'</p> <p align="center">Father 'motivational' 'grace gifting'</p>	<p align="center">PHANEROSIS 'an exhibition, expression, a bestowment, manifestation'</p> <p align="center">Spirit 'manifestation' 'spiritual gifts'</p>	<p align="center">DOMA 'a present, a gift'</p> <p align="center">Son 'Mantle' 'Office / 5 Fold'</p>
<p align="center">Rom 12:6 - 8</p>	<p align="center">1 Cor 12:7 - 10</p>	<p align="center">Eph 4:11</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prophesying 2. Serving (ministry) 3. Teaching 4. Encouraging (exhorting) 5. Giving (generosity) 6. Leadership 7. Mercy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Word of Wisdom (message) 2. Word of Knowledge 3. Faith 4. Gifts of Healings 5. Miracles 6. Prophecy 7. Discernment of spirits. (distinguishing) 8. Tongues 9. Interpretation of tongues 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apostles 2. Prophets 3. Evangelists 4. Pastors 5. Teachers
<p align="center">'charisma' 1 Pet 4:9 - 11</p>	<p align="center">'mixed' 1 Cor 12:28</p>	<p align="center">'mixed' 1 Cor 12:29 - 30</p>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hospitality 2. Speaking 3. Serving (ministering) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apostles 2. Prophets 3. Teachers 4. Miracles 5. Gifts of Healings 6. Helps 7. Administrations 8. Varieties of tongues 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apostles 2. Prophets 3. Teachers 4. Workers of miracles 5. Gifts of Healings 6. Tongues 7. Interpretation

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What is Paul addressing in 1 Cor 12:1 - 11?

- Polytheism (vs 4 - 11)

1 Cor 1:10 - 15

1 Cor 3:1 - 4

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In 1 Cor 1:10 - 15

10 Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. 11 For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. 12 Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." 13 Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? 14 I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, 15 lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name.

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Values for Manifestation Gifts

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2. The gifts are given for the benefit / profit of all.

- 1 Cor 12:7, 'But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all...'
- 1 Cor 14:12, 'Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual gifts, let it be for the edification of the church that you seek to excel.'

Values for Manifestation Gifts

3. Ignorance and immaturity in their use can do more harm than good.

- 1 Cor 11:17, 'Now in giving these instructions I do not praise you, since you come together not for the better but for the worse.'
- 1 Cor 12:1, 'Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant.'

Values for Manifestation Gifts

4. Clarity and Simplicity are the most effective.

- 1 Cor 14:6 - 9, '6 But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching? 7 Even things without life, whether flute or harp, when they make a sound, unless they make a distinction in the sounds, how will it be known what is piped or played? 8 For if the trumpet makes an uncertain sound, who will prepare for battle? 9 So likewise you, unless you utter by the tongue words easy to understand, how will it be known what is spoken? For you will be speaking into the air.'

Values for Manifestation Gifts

5. Things are to be judged and tested.

- 1 Cor 13:9, 'For we know in part, we prophesy in part....'
- 1 Th 5:19 - 22, 'Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise prophecies. Test all things; hold fast what is good. Abstain from every form of evil.'

Values for Manifestation Gifts

6. Timing and style can be controlled

- 1 Cor 14:29 - 33

'Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others judge. 30 But if anything is revealed to another who sits by, let the first keep silent. 31 For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged. 32 And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. 33 For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.'

Manifestations of the Holy Spirit

1 Cor 12:4 - 11

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Revelation	Power	Speaking / Inspiration
Word of Wisdom	Faith	Prophecy
Word of Knowledge	Working of Miracles	Unknown Tongues
Discerning of Spirits	Gifts of Healings	Interpretation of Tongues

1. Revelatory Gifts: They supernaturally REVEAL something.
2. Power Gifts: They supernaturally DO something.
3. Vocal Gifts: They supernaturally SAY something.

Manifestations of the Holy Spirit

1. Word of Wisdom:

- It has nothing to do with being wise, or the soulish power (mind, emotions, will) of man.
- It is not natural wisdom, it has nothing to do with academic ability.
- This does not pertain to things in the past.

A word of wisdom reveals a fraction of the mind of God concerning people, places or things pertaining to the future. God reveals how He wants us to deal with a specific situation as it arises in the future.

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2. Word of Knowledge:

- It is not natural knowledge that comes through study, reading, observation or experience.
- It is not intellectual ability or education.
- Its is knowledge the surpasses the sense of man.
- This relates to situations in the past or present, not the future.

A word of the knowledge is a manifestation of the Holy Spirit to make His will, nature and presence known by revealing a piece of what He knows to one of His people. It is a supernatural revelation of certain facts in the mind of God, it does not come through any normal human process. Its Gods knowledge of something that is humanly impossible to know about.

Manifestations of the Holy Spirit

3. Gift of Faith (special faith)

- Its not natural human faith.
- Its not saving faith. (Eph 2:8 - 9)
- Its not the measure of faith or general faith that all believers possess. (rom 12:3)
- Every Christian has faith, but not every Christian has had the gift of special faith.
- Its also not faith obtained by hearing that comes through the Word of God. (Rom 10:17)

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- i. The gift of Special Faith is a supernatural manifestation by the Holy Spirit supplying unlimited faith in a specific situation to achieve supernatural results. When this gift is manifested in your life, God supernaturally empties you of all doubt and unbelief.
- ii. Its the supernatural ability to believe for the impossible of that which is not yet made manifest. This gift drops an assurance of answered prayer into someones heart.
- iii. Its an unwavering conviction of the truth of God's Word and God's promises concerning an event or situation, and an accompanying trust in Jesus.
- iv. A supernatural ability to meet adverse circumstances with trust in God's word and messages to us.

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4. Gifts of Healings

- It is not receiving your healing through Dr's and medicine.
- It is not receiving your healing through faith in God's Word.
- It is not receiving your healing through the communion elements.

The gifts of healings are the supernatural impartation of Gods healing power through you to cure disease and heal the sick, often instantly, in particular, being anointed to minister healing for specific kinds of sickness. This is the gift given by the Holy Spirit in a specific context to make manifest Gods will and character through the healing of a person. It is supernatural enablement to minister various kinds of healing and restoration to people by the instigation and power of the Holy Spirit.

Manifestations of the Holy Spirit

5. Working of Miracles.

The Working of Miracles is a special momentary gift of authority which enables us by the anointing of God to intervene in the ordinary course of nature and do something that could not be done naturally. A true miracle must involve the suspension of natural laws in the ordinary course of nature.

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6. Gift of Prophecy

- It is not preaching the gospel
- It is not foretelling the future, but it can have to do with the future.
- Prophecy is confirmation to your spirit, not revelation.
- The purpose of prophecy is always to build up, encourage and bring comfort.

Manifestations of the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:16 - 18

“But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:
‘And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God,
That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh;
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
Your young men shall see visions,
Your old men shall dream dreams.
And on My menservants and on My maidservants
I will pour out My Spirit in those days;
And they shall prophesy.

1 Cor 14:31

‘For you can prophesy in turn so that everyone may be instructed
and encouraged.’

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1 Tim 1:18

'This charge I commit to you, son Timothy, according to the prophecies previously made concerning you, that by them you may wage the good warfare...'

Manifestations of the Holy Spirit

7. Discerning / Distinguishing of Spirits

- Its not the gift of discernment.
- Its the gift of suspicion or speculation
- Its not fault finding or judging others.
- Its not the discerning of character.

The discerning / distinguishing of spirits is the supernatural ability given by the Holy Spirit to perceive the source of a spiritual manifestation, or the nature of a spirit exerting influence through a person, whether it be of the flesh, the Holy Spirit or a demonic spirit. It is the power of spiritual insight that enables us to perceive and even see and understand the spiritual forces at work. It can be a supernatural revelation of the plans and purposes of the enemy.

My View Concerning the Gifts

1. Its something worth knowing about...

- 1 Cor 12:1

2. Its something to earnestly covet:

- 1 Cor 12:31, 'Eagerly desire (burn with zeal) the best gifts...'

- 1 Cor 14:1, 39

3. Its something to be wished for.

- 1 Cor 14:5, 'I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied...'

My View Concerning the Gifts

4. Its something we can be zealous for.

- 1 Cor 14:12

5. It is something to be partnered with prayer.

1 Cor 14:13, 'Therefore let him who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret.'

6. Its something that requires an exercise of my will, a decision.

1 Cor 14:15, 'What is the conclusion then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding.'

My View Concerning the Gifts

7. It is something to be thankful for.

1 Cor 14:18, 'I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all, yet in the church I would rather speak five words with my understanding...'

8. It is something that should be allowed and not forbidden.

1 Cor 14:29, 39

God's View Concerning the Gifts

1. They are HIS gifts, they cannot be bought by mans efforts. (sweat equity)
 - 1 Cor 12:4
2. They are gifts of grace. They cannot be earned by mans merit. (moral virtue)
3. They are worked by the Holy Spirit, they cannot be worked through mans ability. (otherwise it'll be limited)
 - 1 Cor 12:11, "But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills."

God's View Concerning the Gifts

4. They are distributed to each one by the Holy Spirit. They cannot operate by mans allocation or administration.

- 1 Cor 12:11

5. They are given as the Holy Spirit wills. They cannot function according to mans choice.

- 1 Cor 12:11

6. They are given according to Gods design of the Body of Christ, as He is the architect, not us.

- 1 Cor 12:24

God's View Concerning the Gifts

7. They are appointed by God, not man.

- 1 Cor 12:28

8. They are to function according to God's order, without chaos.

- 1 Cor 14:40

9. They are vehicles by which God speaks.

10. They are to draw attention to God, not man.

- 1 Cor 14:25

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