



Sunday October 29, 2017
Gifts of the Spirit (Part-5) : Power Gifts

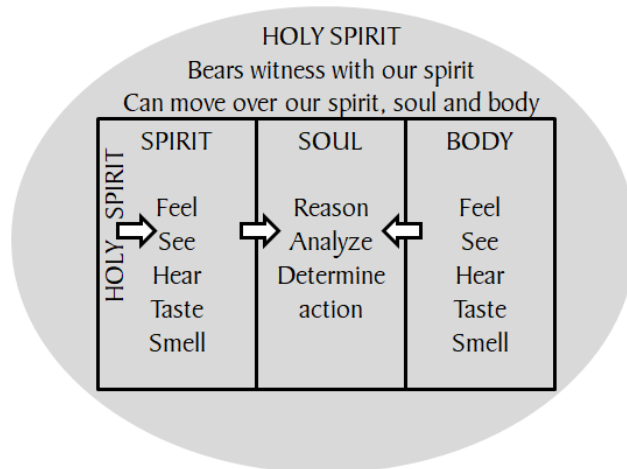
1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Review

Please review a few key points from earlier messages in this series Part 1-4.

For instructional purposes, the nine gifts of the Spirit are commonly classified into three groupings:

GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT		
REVELATION GIFTS (Gifts that reveal something)	VOCAL GIFTS (Gifts that say something)	POWER GIFTS (Gifts that do something)
Word of wisdom Word of knowledge Discerning of spirits	Tongues Interpretation of tongues Prophecy	Faith Gifts of healings Workings of miracles



Today

we cover the three gifts we have categorized as power gifts.

GIFTS OF HEALING

1 Corinthians 12:9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit,

A double plural is used in the NKJV “gifts”, “healings” to indicate multiplicity (healings of all kinds of sicknesses) and diversity (many different ways through which supernatural healing can be released or administered)



Definition

Supernatural work of God resulting in the physical or emotional healing of a sick person.

Bodily ailments are caused due to many different reasons:

- Birth defects
- Neglect / Abuse
- Accidents
- Physiological problems
- Demonic

Many ways that God heals, one of which is through the gifts of healings:

- Through personal faith in the Word
- Through faith received by hearing the preaching of the Word and acting on that faith
- Through the prayer of faith
- Through gifts of healings

In gifts of healings, very often the recipient may not be exercising active faith – and yet they get healed when gifts of healings are released through the person ministering to them.

Different from learned healing through use of medicine.

Biblical Examples : Old Testament

Healing of Abimelech's wife and servants from barrenness

(Genesis 20)

God revealed Himself as the Healer of His people

After the Exodus from Egypt, throughout their journey through the wilderness, the people were preserved and kept in good health. God made a covenant to His people to be their Healer (Exodus 15:26).

Psalm 105:37

He also brought them out with silver and gold, And there was none feeble among His tribes.

Nehemiah 9:21

Forty years You sustained them in the wilderness; They lacked nothing; Their clothes did not wear out And their feet did not swell.

Psalm 107:19-20

**19 Then they cried out to the LORD in their trouble, And He saved them out of their distresses.
20 He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.**

Biblical Examples : New Testament

- Many healings in the ministry of the Lord Jesus



- The cleansing of a leper (Matthew 8)
- Healing deafness with dumbness (Mark 7)
- The man by the pool of Bethesda (John 5)
- Healing blindness with mud and spit (John 9)

Operations

The gifts of healing serve to restore physical and emotional wholeness and well-being to a person. While many healings are immediate and instantaneous, we also celebrate, when healing takes place over time.

How The Holy Spirit Initiates Release of The Gifts of Healing

A knowing what God is doing

Jesus saw what the Father was doing and He did likewise (John 5:19). This is why He healed the man at the pool of Bethesda. Often when ministering in a service or when speaking/ministering at an individual level you have a knowing that God desires to heal or heal specific conditions.

Through words of knowledge

God reveal specific conditions in that He wants to heal. You call out words of knowledge. This builds faith and people receive their healing.

Recognition of God's healing presence and anointing

During a service you are aware of God's healing presence and the healing anointing. The power of the Lord is present to heal (Mark 5:13). You begin to minister accordingly. People tap into the anointing by faith, like the woman who touched the hem of Jesus' garment (Mark 5) or the multitudes who touched Jesus and were healed (Luke 6:19).

How To Release Gifts of Healing

Declaring what you see God doing

Releasing words of knowledge

Through faith and prayer

Releasing the healing anointing through faith

Don't get too picky on whether it was a gift of healing or whether it was due to your faith or the other person's faith. Just rejoice in the fact that the person was healed and give all the glory to God.

Additional Reading: APC's free publications "[Ministering Healing and Deliverance](#)"
Attend APC's weekend school on Ministering Healing and Deliverance
(apcwo.org/weekendschool)



WORKING OF MIRACLES

Definition

Supernatural intervention into the natural course of nature, life situations and events, and human ability, resulting in what can only be described as a miracle.

This can include miraculous supply, creative healings (example: organs surgically removed are supernaturally restored, implants disappear, etc), overriding natural laws and supernatural happenings or turnaround of events.

The end result of the miracle is to meet the needs of people, turn the lost to the Lord and glorify God.

Biblical Examples : Old Testament

Moses

- Miracles in Egypt
- Bitter waters sweet
- Water out of a rock

Joshua

- The sun and moon stood still for a whole day

Elijah

- Multiplying flour and oil for the widow at Zarephath
- Rain after 3 yrs of drought
- Fire from heaven

Elisha

- Parting of Jordan
- Healing of waters and barren ground
- Multiplying of a jar of oil to cancel debt for a widow
- Miracle child for a barren woman
- Making an axe head float

Isaiah

- The shadow of the sun moving back 10 degrees

Biblical Examples : New Testament

Jesus

- Turning water to wine
- Multiplying loaves and fish (Matthew 14)
- Calming of the storm (Luke 8)
- Miraculous catch of fish (Luke 5)
- Coin in a mouth of a fish (Matthew 17)
- Making the maimed whole (Matthew 15)

Apostles shadow healing people (Acts 5)



Paul

- Elymas the sorcerer blind for a season (Acts 13)
- Unusual miracles (Acts 19:11)
- No harm from a snake bite on the island of Malta (Acts 28)

Operations

As we mentioned earlier, the end result of the miracle is to meet the needs of people, turn the lost to the Lord and glorify God.

Signs, wonders, miracles and gifts of the Holy Spirit 'bear witness' to the message preached

Hebrews 2:3-4

3 how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him,

4 God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?

God can and will do all kinds of miracles, even things not yet seen or heard of. So we should not limit God to the kinds of miracles He would do amongst us.

How Working of Miracles Is Received

Very similar to the gifts of healings:

A knowing what God is doing

Often when ministering in a service or when speaking/ministering at an individual level you have a knowing that God desires to release specific miracles.

Through words of knowledge

God reveal specific miracles that He wants to release. You call these out as words of knowledge. This builds faith and people receive their miracles.

Recognition of God's healing presence and anointing

During a service you are aware of God's miracle working power and miracle anointing. You begin to minister accordingly. People act in response to what God is doing and receive their miracles.

How To Release Working of Miracles

Similar to releasing gifts of healing:

Declaring what you see God doing and encouraging people to act on it

Releasing words of knowledge on the kinds of miracles God is doing

Through faith and prayer release the miracle power of God



The person ministering/releasing the working of miracles must move in faith.

Galatians 3:5

Therefore He who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you, does He do it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

GIFT OF FAITH

Definition

Supernatural impartation of faith into the heart of a believer to trust God for a miracle in a particular situation or a moment of time.

Different from the faith that a person has developed in God (Romans 12:3, 2 Thessalonians 1:3). The gift of faith is usually momentary (for a specific time and situation), while your personal faith in God is what you have grown into overtime and what you can maintain usually at all times in all situations.

Different from declaring your faith in the Word.

Gift of faith is not presumption. It is not assuming that God will do something for you, just because you wish for it.

The gift of faith would typically go into operation along with gifts of healings and workings of miracles.

Examples

Raising the dead

Healing of the crippled man at the gate of the temple (Acts 3:16)

Working of miracles

Operations

Often works along with the gift of the working of miracles.

Supernatural faith fills your heart at that specific instant of time for a specific healing or miracle to take place. You speak and act with boldness to get the work done.

MINISTRY TIME



LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE

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This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

Preparation

To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon Key Points (sermon summary in five minutes) or the full length Sunday sermon. You can also review the Sunday Sermon notes. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at apcwo.org/sermons. Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship and a fun activity.

LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture passages: *1 Corinthians 12:1-11*

INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

Discuss these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group study.

Discuss each of the three power gifts going through the sermon notes.

Share testimonies of healings, miracles and supernatural faith you have personally experienced or witnessed

If time permits, each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two main learning today and how they see themselves applying it into their specific life situations. Within the group, feel free to share areas of emotional healing that may be needed. (Keep all matters confidential). Encourage each one to participate and share.

FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey



Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

1, families to be protected and strengthened

2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.

Close by thanking God together.