

The Supernatural Gifts of the Holy Spirit Part One

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I. Today we begin a series of teachings relating to the Supernatural Power of God as released through the gifts of the Holy Spirit!

1 Corinthians 14:1

1 Follow after charity, and **desire** spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy. (KJV)

2206 zeloo- DESIRE

to burn with zeal

a) to be heated or to boil with envy, hatred, anger (in

a good sense), to be zealous in the pursuit of good

b) to desire earnestly, to pursue

1) to desire one earnestly, to strive after, to busy oneself about him

2) to exert oneself for one (so that he may not be torn from me)

3) to be the object of the zeal of others, to be zealously sought after

c) to envy

ENVY - Painful or resentful awareness of an advantage enjoyed by another joined with a desire to possess the same advantage.

(Webster's 9 th Collegiate Dict.)

****Bro. Hagin has recently stated that the gifts of the Spirit do not come into manifestation by prayer or fasting for them. *They will come into greater manifestation when the church as a whole truly desires them. The only way the church as a whole will be able to desire them***

is when Leaders begin to teach and preach about them and their meaning and function!

- Satan's greatest weapon against the church is deception that is rooted in IGNORANCE! It is near impossible for a Christian to be deceived who is informed and is not ignorant. Knowledge with Understanding is an insurmountable force against the kingdom and powers of darkness!

Here's some things the bible tells us not to be ignorant of :

Romans 11:25 - (The Mystery of what happened to the Children of Israel in the wilderness.)

25 For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ***ignorant*** of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in. (KJV)

2 Corinthians 2:11 - (This is speaking of Satan's mind games or scheming's of the mind.)

11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ***ignorant*** of his devices. (KJV)

1Thessalonians 4:13 - (This is speaking of the ignorance regarding those who have died in the faith.)

13 But I would not have you to be ***ignorant***, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. (KJV)

Romans 10:3 - (This is a great issue of ignorance with people, trying to make yourself righteous.)

3 For they being ***ignorant*** of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God. (KJV)

What About Ignorance Regarding the Supernatural Gifts of the Spirit?

1 Corinthians 12:1- (*This is the focus of our teaching.*)

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. (KJV)

50 agnoeo- IGNORANT

1) to be ignorant, not to know

2) not to understand, unknown

3) to err or sin through mistake, to be wrong

50 agnoeo (ag-no-eh'-o); IGNORANT

from 1 (as a negative particle) and 3539; not to know (through lack of information or intelligence); by implication, to ignore (through disinclination):

KJV-- (be) ignorant (-ly), not know, not understand, unknown.

****Now we know that God's word tells us not to be *ignorant*, but *ignorance* that is willful is a direct disobedience to what God is wanting for our lives!**

Hosea 4:6

6 **My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge:** because thou hast ***rejected knowledge***, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing ***thou hast forgotten*** the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children. (KJV)

****To not accept something is to reject it!** Whether it be the *Lordship of Christ, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, Healing or Prosperity!* This also carries over to the teachings on *Holiness* and the *Gifts of the Spirit*, and really any subject of God's Word!

Luke 24:49

49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be **endued** with power from on high. (KJV)

****Jesus had been teaching by precept and demonstration the working and operations of the Power of the Holy Spirit for 3 1/2 years and had even limitedly commissioned them to do the works He was doing. Yet, this was going to be different, they were going to receive upon their own individual lives what Jesus had on His life.**

****In order to receive this, they were going to have to tarry for an undetermined period of time, and with over 500 people that Jesus had appeared to, only 120 were willing to go the distance!**

****They tarried there for about 10 days in obedience to the Lord waiting on that promise and they were not disappointed!**

- Jesus is the door to eternal life but the Holy Spirit Baptism is the doorway into the supernatural!

1 Corinthians 15:6

6 After that, **he(Jesus) was seen of above five hundred brethren at once**; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. KJV

It is believed that this is the crowd of **above 500** that Jesus appeared to in **Acts 1:4-5** and told them to wait until they were baptized in the Holy Ghost not many days from now.

- Out of Above 500 people that were gathered there only 120 went to Jerusalem and waited for the Promise of the Father to come upon them. What does that tell you? It tells me that not everyone wants everything God desires for them!

***The Church of 2021 is experiencing great change. Some good and some not so good. For the last number of decades those who have**

rejected the baptism of the Holy Ghost have accepted brass for gold. Their music has changed to what we as charismatics and Pentecostals have enjoyed for many years. Yet they still quench the moving of the Holy Spirit.

*Pastor Kenneth Hagin, of Rhema Bible Church, told the story of a church that he and his wife had gone to for a crusade. He was surprised that the hosting church told him that they had made a space for people who felt the ‘**urge**’ to pray or speak in tongues. If that were to happen those people could go into that room and **relieve themselves** in order to now disturb guests who might not understand!*

CAN YOU BELIEVE SUCH A THINGS WOULD EVER EXIST IN A SUPPOSED FULL GOSPEL AND CHARISMATIC CHURCH?

‘RELIEVE THEMSELVES’ sounds like they were going to the bathroom instead of yielding to the Holy Spirit! Kenneth E. Hagin, prior to his home going was committed to teaching the church about the move of the Spirit. He actually said the Lord Jesus told him, **‘If you don’t teach them then the move of My Spirit will be lost to this generation!’** That is why he was holding ‘*Holy Ghost Meetings*’ before going to heaven.

There has been great persecution against the Charismatic/Pentecostal Church. Some justified but most unjustified! There have been authors of late who have written books against what they term as ‘*Charismania*’. The intimidation against the Spirit-filled Church has caused some to back away from anything that smells of Pentecost!

The saints of old were willing to lose their reputations in order to please God in such a way that they would allow the Holy Spirit to move in their church and services. Now space will not allow me to speak about how to avoid excesses that well meaning people have tried to bring into our churches.

- Many Pastor’s reading this know enough to stop the excesses without quenching the Holy Spirit.

- Let's deal with some of the ignorances that some in our churches are confused about.
- Without commenting further, **vv. 2-3 of 1 Corinthians 12** speak of the ways people have yielded to the wrong side of the supernatural and gives us a way to test and know whether the Holy Spirit is behind any manifestation.

*2 Remember how you were when you didn't know God, led from one phony god to another, never knowing what you were doing, just doing it because everybody else did it? **It's different in this life.** God wants us to use our intelligence, to seek to understand as well as we can.*

3 For instance, by using your heads, you know perfectly well that the Spirit of God would never prompt anyone to say "Jesus be damned!" Nor would anyone be inclined to say "Jesus is Master!" without the insight of the Holy Spirit. MSG

****Basically any manifestation that is from God will not only speak or do some significant thing in our lives but will magnify and bring glory to the head of the church, the Lord Jesus Christ!**

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

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.* NKJV

- **vv. 4-6** tell us 3 things;

1. The Holy Spirit is over the supernatural gifts or manifestations. V. 4

2. Jesus Christ is over the ministry offices as listed in **Romans 12:6-8 & Ephesians 4:11. V. 5**

3. God the Father works ALL of the supernatural gifts or manifestations Into ALL of the ministries. **V. 6**

1 Corinthians 12:7-11

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. KJV

Howard Carter, who was a compatriot of Dr. Lester Sumrall and also of Smith Wigglesworth, founded the first Pentecostal Bible School in England. He is credited with categorizing these 9 manifestations in to 3 groups.

Word of Wisdom; Word of Knowledge and Discerning of Spirits are the 3 gifts that **REVEAL Something**.

Special Faith; Working of Miracles and the Gifts of Healings are the 3 gifts that **DO Something**.

Gift of Prophecy; Different Kinds of Tongues and The Interpretation of Tongues are the 3 gifts that **SAY Something**.

We will conclude this outline with the definitions of all supernatural 9 gifts or manifestations of the Holy Spirit.

REVELATION GIFTS

Word of Wisdom = is one of three Gifts of revelation and means a supernatural word of God's Wisdom concerning the future. It has been said that the Word of Wisdom is the highest of the revelation Gifts because knowing what God knows about the future is always best!

Word of Knowledge = is one of three Gifts of revelation and means a supernatural word of God's Knowledge concerning the past or present. We MUST remember that it is just a WORD and not ALL or a paragraph of God's Wisdom or knowledge but rather a WORD of a God's Wisdom or Knowledge.

Discerning of Spirits = Is the Supernatural ability to see in the realm of spirits. Open visions of the Lord Jesus Christ, Angels, Demons or other spirits, including human spirits, requires this specific gift to be in manifestation. You could say that if you are seeing one of the above mentioned spirits then this gift is in manifestation.

POWER GIFTS

The Gift of Faith = The GIFT OF FAITH or Special Faith as the Amplified Bible calls it is The supernatural ability to believe beyond one's new birth ability and Receives miracles.

The Working of Miracles = is a supernatural operation of the Holy Spirit where He empowers Us to actually Work or Perform a Miracle.

The Gifts of Healings = (See **1 Corinthians 12:28**) = is a supernatural operation of the Holy Spirit where healing's are manifested of various sicknesses and diseases in an instantaneous way. **Many times this particular gift of the Holy Spirit will work in conjunction with some of the other gifts of the Holy Spirit like the WORD OF KNOWLEDGE and others.

UTTERANCE GIFTS

The Gift of Prophecy = A Supernaturally inspired utterance by the Holy Spirit that Edifies, Exhorts and Comforts the church in it's simplest form. **(1 Corinthians 14:3)**. Again there is not necessarily any revelation within this particular gift unless some of the revelation gifts are in operation at the same time prophecy is in manifestation.

Different Kinds of Tongues = Is the Supernatural ability to speak in a language or tongue of men or of angels, known or unknown to the individual who is speaking. It is different from the initial baptism of the Holy Spirit with the initial evidence of speaking with other tongues which is for every believer in Christ.

The initial baptism of the Holy Spirit is a believer speaking from earth to heaven and there is no interpretation that is necessarily needed. When this gift of Divers Kinds of Tongues is in operation it is God speaking from heaven to earth and thus there **MUST** be an interpretation of what God is saying by the Holy Spirit to the church.

PLEASE NOTE: Every Christian is encouraged in Scripture to pray for the interpretation when they are using devotional tongues. Not every believer will operate in this particular gift as it operates as the Lord wills not as we will. Although I have personally become more proficient in God using me in this supernatural gift of the Holy Spirit through much experience and use.

The Gift of the Interpretation of Tongues = Note that this is NOT called, *The Gift of the Translation of Tongues*. Therefore if someone attempts to time the message in tongues and see if the interpretation is of the Exact same length, they are wasting their time. This gift is the supernatural ability to interpret what was said in an unknown tongue for the benefit of those present so that they can be built up and edified.

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