

Elgin Evangelical Free Church - May 19, 2024

- II. Identification (I Cor. 12:28, 7-8)
 - A. Helps/Service Supporting others in day to day tasks.
 - B. Administrations Leadership, the ability to steer or pilot
- 1. This is not a natural ability, but a supernatural ability to lead with wisdom and discernment.
 - 2. It is done with a diligence and determination (Rom. 12:8)
 - C. Tongues We will discuss this next week?
- D. Words of Knowledge Spiritual knowledge of the Word of God (Foundational for preaching and teaching).
- E. Words of Wisdom The utilization of spiritual knowledge in the right way (the ability to apply the Word).

- F. Faith Trusting God in difficult and demanding ways.
 - 1. Different than saving faith.
 - 2. Demonstrated most definitively through prayer
- G. Discernment Recognition of Spiritual Authenticity and Falsehood.
- 1. Needed in the judging of Tongues, Disputes, Preaching (I Cor. 6, 12).
- H. Exhortation Coming alongside to encourage, warn, strengthen Heb. 10:24-25

Life Group Study Notes Spiritual Gifts, part 3 May 19, 2024

- 1. Why do you think that the gift of helps or service are treated like gifts of lesser importance? How does the illustration of the I-Beam help to clarify this gift?
- 2. Explain the difference between Words of Knowledge and Words of Wisdom. Why do you think that Paul referenced Words of Wisdom first? How did the struggles of the church of Corinth help us to understand these gifts?
- 3. What is the difference between 'saving faith' and the 'gift of faith' referenced in I Cor. 12? How does this kind of faith demonstrate itself in the life of a believer? How does it encourage the body of Christ?
- 4. Why is the gift of discernment so needed in this day and age? Give and example of the church being carried away into falsehood.
- 5. Which person of the Trinity does the word "exhortation" come from? How does the Holy Spirit's role help us to understand what it means to have the gift of exhortation? Who do you know who has this gift?
- 6. God has called every believer to participate in giving. What is the difference between this and actually having the gift of giving? Explain the meaning of the word "liberality" in Rom. 12:8.

- 7. People with the gift of mercy spot needs and move to relieve distress. Mercy is not mercy until it moves! Give and example of a ministry that a person with the gift of mercy would be engaged in performing.
- 8. God has called us all to stir up the gifts that we have. Are you presently engaged in using your spiritual gift? What is God calling you to do to engage your gift?