

SPIRITUAL GIFTS AND OPERATIONS OF THE SPIRIT

I CORINTHIANS 12:8

FOR TO ONE IS GIVEN, BY THE SPIRIT THE WORD OF WISDOM; TO ANOTHER THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE BY THE SAME SPIRIT;
TO ANOTHER FAITH BY THE SAME SPIRIT; TO ANOTHER THE GIFTS OF HEALING BY THE SAME SPIRIT;
TO ANOTHER THE WORKING OF MIRACLES; TO ANOTHER PROPHECY; TO ANOTHER DISCERNING OF SPIRITS; TO ANOTHER DIVERS KINDS OF TONGUES; TO ANOTHER INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES.

WHAT IS WISDOM?

THE ABILITY TO JUDGE CORRECTLY AND TO FOLLOW THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION, BASED ON KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING.

WORD OF WISDOM- THE GIFT TO SPEAK INTO SOMEONE'S LIFE BASED ON INFORMATION GIVEN BY THE HOLY GHOST. THIS GIFT IS CONNECTED IN MANY WAYS TO THE PROPHETIC GIFT. SOMETIMES PROPHETS MAY SIMPLY GIVE A WORD OF WISDOM THOUGH PEOPLE WITH THIS GIFT MAY NOT HAVE THE GIFT OF PROPHECY. KEY WORD IS THE "APPLICATION" OF KNOWLEDGE AND ACTIONS.

WORD OF KNOWLEDGE- SIMPLY SPEAKING INTO SOMEONE'S LIFE SOMETHING YOU KNOW. EXAMPLE "YOU ARE A TEACHER". "YOU ARE HURTING. YOU CRY A LOT AT NIGHT. YOU ARE LONELY."

FAITH- FAITH BEYOND THE ORIGINAL MEASURE GIVEN OF CHRIST. FAITH IN ALL THINGS WITHOUT WAVERING AND COMPROMISE. USUALLY THOSE HAVING THIS GIFT ALSO HAVE THE GIFT OF WORKING OF MIRACLES. YOU MOVE GOD. SPEAK THINGS AND THEY COME TO PASS BECAUSE OF YOUR FAITH.

HEALING- THE PROCESS OF APPLYING PREVENTIVE AND REMEDIAL PRACTICES TO MAINTAIN GOOD HEALTH. THE ABILITY TO REVERSE ABNORMAL HEALTH SITUATIONS BACK TO A NORMAL OPERATIONAL STATE, WHETHER BY LAYING ON OF HANDS, PRAYER, OR SIMPLE SPEAKING IT. HEALING REQUIRES REQUEST, FASTING, PRAYER, OR PRAISE. SOME TYPE OF PETITION. RECIPIENT MUST HAVE FAITH TO BELIEVE. EXAMPLE "YOUR FAITH HATH MADE YOU WHOLE".

WORKING OF MIRACLES- PERFORMING SOMETHING IN WHICH NO MAN CAN TAKE CREDIT. REGROWTH OF BODILY LIMBS, RAISING THE DEAD. DOING THE IMPOSSIBLE. THIS REQUIRES NO REQUEST...JUST BECAUSE. PROOF OF GOD'S POWER. FAITH OF THE RECIPIENT IS NOT ALWAYS A FACTOR. NECESSARY TO "GAIN THE MORE". MANY

MIRACLES WERE WORKED IN ORDER TO GAIN THE FOLLOWING OF MANY. JESUS SAID "GO TELL JOHN, THAT THE BLIND RECEIVE THEIR SIGHT, THE LAME WALK, THE DEAF HEAR...I AM THE ONE YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR."

SOME EXAMPLES INCLUDE ELIJAH SHUTTING UP THE HEAVENS THAT IT RAINED NOT FOR THREE YEARS, ANOTHER IS MANNA FALLING TO FEED THE CHILDREN OF ISREAL, JESUS FEEDING THE 5000.

WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A MIRACLE AND A HEALING?

- A HEALING DEALS WITH RESTORATION OF BODILY FUNCTIONS WHETHER SPIRITUAL OR NATURAL. EXAMPLE: HE HEALED MY BROKEN HEART, HE HEALED ME OF CANCER.
 - HEALINGS REQUIRE OPERATION OF RECIPIENT'S FAITH, MIRACLES DO NOT
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WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A MIRACLE AND A WONDER?

- A WONDER IS SOMETHING THAT MAKES YOU WONDER WHAT HAPPENED. EXAMPLE: SOMETHING MAY APPEAR BEFORE YOU OR DISAPPEAR. YOU RIDE TOWARD A TRUCK THINKING THERE WILL BE A HEAD-ON COLLISION BUT YOU GO THROUGH THE TRUCK.
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PROPHECY- THE ABILITY TO INTERPRET DREAMS, VISIONS, WHETHER PAST PRESENT, FUTURE. RECEIVING THE ABILITY TO HEAR THE AUDIBLE VOICE OF GOD. A SEER. THE ABILITY TO GIVE INSTRUCTION AND/OR FORETELL FUTURE EVENTS. THE ABILITY TO ANOINT AND TO ORDAIN THOSE CALLED BY GOD. THE DECLARATION OF GOD'S WORD TO HIS PEOPLE. THE ABILITY TO SPEAK A MESSAGE DIRECTLY FROM GOD TO SOMEONE. IT CAN BE ACTED OUT, WRITTEN, SPOKEN.

DISCERNING OF SPIRITS- THE ABILITY TO NAME SPIRITS THAT ARE IN OPERATION WHETHER IN A PERSON OR IN A PLACE. SEE DANIEL 10:13 THERE ARE DEMONS AND DEMONIC FORCES ASSIGNED OVER CITIES, STATES, AND NATIONS.

DIVERSE KINDS OF TONGUES- THE ABILITY TO SPEAK WITH PEOPLE OF OTHER LANGUAGES ONLY THROUGH THE HOLY GHOST.

INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES- THE GIFT TO TRANSLATE TONGUES INTO A LANGUAGE WHICH WILL EDIFY THE ENTIRE BODY WITH UNDERSTANDING.

- NOTE THAT INTERPRETATION DOES NOT ALWAYS HAVE TO COME FROM THE ONE SPEAKING IN UNKNOWN TONGUES.