

Revive Us Again!

Part 11 – Manifestations Of The Spirit (I)

Scripture – 1 Cor 12:4-7 (TNIV)

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A. Introduction

1. a) 1 Cor 12:4-6 - Keyword is “different”

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- (Diairesis) – Distinct, varied, diverse

b) Different:

- Kinds of gifts (charisma)
- Kinds of service (diakonia)
- Kinds of workings / operations (energema)

2. V7 – “Manifestation of the Spirit”

7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

- (Phanerosis) – Exhibition; expression; declaration; show forth; to make clear; to appear

3. Spiritual encounters sometimes produce physical and emotional effects.

4. Points to note:

- Don't over-emphasize
- Don't measure spirituality
- Don't fear

B. Indications Of The Spirit's Working

1. Falling / "Slain in the Spirit"

→ "Fell" (in Hebrew means "to slay")

a) Biblical examples:

- Gen 15:12 (NLT)
12 That evening, as the sun was going down, Abram fell into a deep sleep. He saw a terrifying vision of darkness and horror.
- Dan 10:8-9 (NLT)
8 So I was left there all alone to watch this amazing vision. My strength left me, my face grew deathly pale, and I felt very weak. 9 When I heard him speak, I fainted and lay there with my face to the ground.
- John 18:6 (Good News Translation)
6 When Jesus said to them, "I am he," they moved back and fell to the ground.
- Acts 9:3-4 (NLT)
3 As he was nearing Damascus on this mission, a brilliant light from heaven suddenly beamed down upon him! 4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul! Saul! Why are you persecuting me?"

- Rev 1:17 (NCV)
17 When I saw him, I fell down at his feet like a dead man. He put his right hand on me and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last.

b) Why do people fall down in the Spirit?

2. Trembling and shaking

- Psa 114:7 (NLT)
7 Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Israel.
- Jer 23:9 (NLT)
9 My heart is broken because of the false prophets, and I tremble uncontrollably. I stagger like a drunkard, like someone overcome by wine, because of the holy words the LORD has spoken against them.
- Acts 4:31 (Good News Translation)
31 When they finished praying, the place where they were meeting was shaken. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to proclaim God's message with boldness.

3. Drunk in the Spirit

- Eph 5:18 (NLT)
18 Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, let the Holy Spirit fill and control you.
- Acts 2:13 (NCV)
13 But others were making fun of them, saying, "They have had too much wine."