

## **Revive Us Again!**

### **Part 16 – Spiritual Gifts - An Overview**

Scripture – 1 Cor 12:1-7 (TNIV)

*1 Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols. 3 Therefore I want you to know that no one who is speaking by the Spirit of God says, "Jesus be cursed," and no one can say, "Jesus is LORD," except by the Holy Spirit.*

*4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same LORD. 6 There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.*

1. (v1) Don't be ignorant

*1 Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed.*

- “Spiritual gifts” – Pertaining to the spiritual and supernatural realm

2. (v2) Decide: Who's Leader and Lord?

*2 You know that when you were pagans, somehow or other you were influenced and led astray to mute idols.*

3. (v4-6) Difference and variety

*4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same LORD. 6 There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.*

- Gifts – “Charisma”
- Service – “Diakonia”
- Workings – “Energema”

4. (v7) Definite purpose and focus

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

- Primarily to bless others
- 1 Pet 4:10 (TNIV)

*10 Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.*

5. Dependent on faith – Rom 12:6 (TNIV)

*6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith;*

6. Delicate balance: Fruits and gifts

- 1 Cor 12:31 (TNIV)

*31 Now eagerly desire the greater gifts. And yet I will show you the most excellent way.*

- 1 Cor 14:1 (TNIV)

*1 Follow the way of love and eagerly desire spiritual gifts, especially the gift of prophecy.*