

Defining the Gifts of 1 Corinthians 12

Sermon Questions

1. Before we can answer, "Are the supernatural gifts for today?" We first must ask, "What are the supernatural gifts?" (Yes/No)
2. Correct (if necessary) the following sentences so that they are all true:
 - a. The order of the gifts is very important to understand this text.
 - b. This list of gifts is not all the gifts.
 - c. The spiritual gifts are always supernatural gifts.
3. A message of wisdom and knowledge is a new gift for New Testament believers? (Yes/No)
4. The Spirit-given and God-empowered gift of wisdom, is the ability to take God's truth, central of which is the self-sacrifice of Christ, and bring that to bear on different situations and life choices. (Yes/No)
5. The Spirit-given and God-empowered gift of knowledge in Scripture always refers to theological truths about God and his ways. (Yes/No)
6. What are two verses that that demonstrate your answer to #5?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
7. Everyone has the gift of faith mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12:9. (Yes/No)
8. The gifts of healing and working of miracles must be different than Jesus's miracles. (Yes/No)
9. What chapter is important to understand what tongues really are?
 - a. Romans 2
 - b. Acts 2
 - c. 1 Corinthians 2
10. Would we expect the tongues in Corinth to be different than the tongues described in Acts? (Yes/No)

11. Do your best to fill in the blanks for the six reasons why tongues in 1 Corinthians are the same as those in Acts.
- 1 Corinthians 12:10 says _____ of tongues.
 - The word translated "tongue" is typically translated to mean _____.
 - Tongues are able to be _____.
 - 1 Corinthians 13:2 says tongues of _____ and of angels.
 - 1 Corinthians 14:21–22 equates tongues with _____ languages.
 - Charles Fox Parham, the father of Pentecostalism, claimed to speak _____.
12. We can say conclusively that God's will is not give the supernatural gifts today. (Yes/No)
13. Based on the nature of the gifts, how do we interpret modern claims?
- Most of what we see is clearly God's supernatural work in many who have these gifts.
 - Most of what we see is fake.
 - Most of what we see is demonic.
 - Most of what we see is not biblical.
 - I don't know.

"take every thought captive to obey Christ"
(2 Corinthians 10:5)

"Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so."
(Acts 17:11)

"Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world."
(1 John 4:1)

"And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment"
(Philippians 1:9)

"But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil."
(Hebrews 5:14)