# TEACHING SERVICE

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In this session we will look at the following

• What are SPIRIUTAL GIFTS?

- Who give them?
- How can we receive our Spiritual Gifts?
- How can we develop our Spiritual Gifts?

• How can we protect our Spiritual Gifts?

# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

## WHAT ARE SPIRITUAL GIFTS?

• SPIRITUAL GIFTS are special gifts bestowed by the <u>Holy Spirit</u> upon Christians for the purpose of <u>building up the Church (the Body</u> of Christ).

- Charismatic Gifts: 1 Corinthians 12:8-10
- Wisdom, Knowledge, Faith, Healing, Miracles, Prophecy,

- Charismatic Gifts (cont'd)
- Discerning of Spirits,
- Speaking in Tongues, Interpretation of Tongues

• Charismatic Gifts (purpose)

# Edification of the church

# Not for personal gratification

Enabling Gifts: Ephesians 4: 7-13

- Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers.
- Service in the ministry of the church

#### **Romans** 12:3-8

- Prophecy (in proportion to faith),
- Ministry (in ministering),
- Teacher (in teaching),
- Exhorter (in exhortation),

- Giver (in generosity),
- Leader (in diligence),
- Compassionate (in cheerfulness).

• The service of each Christian should be in proportion to the gifts which he possesses (1 Corinthians 12:12-14).

• These gifts are gifts of GRACE according to Saint Paul,

# • The principle of LOVE, the greatest of all Spiritual Gifts must be our central focus. – (1 Corinthians 13).

• Who gives these gifts?

• The HOLY SPIRIT, to equip the Church (the BODY OF CHIRIST) for ministry.

• How can we receive our Spiritual Gifts?

• Begins when a believer ACCEPTS Jesus Christ into our life.

How can we receive cont'd

- Every "born again" Christian has a gift from the Holy Spirit.
- Many believers don't know of their Spiritual Gifts.

# How can one receive the Holy Spirit? Laying on of Hands Acts 8:14-17

- Spiritual Gifts can be developed when we can identify them.
- Our Spiritual Gifts are different from our natural gifts or talents.

# 1. Differences of Administrations

## 2. Operations

# 3. Manifestations

# Differences of Administrations: Greek word *Diakonia.* Ephesians 4:11 Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers

• Evangelists brings the message to convert and to teach the Body of Christ the Church.

 Pastors are under shepherd's of the Great Shepherd, God.

# • Operations of gifts Greek word *Energema* are:

• Romans 12:4-7

• Prophecy in proportion of faith, to proclaim the Word as given by God in the Bible and not ones own interpretation.

 Ministering in ministry to serve through good deeds. Eg. hospitality

• Teacher in teaching, one who explains the Word,

• Exhorter in exhortation, one who motivates others.

- Giver in generosity.
- Leader in diligence.
- Compassionate in cheerfulness.

#### Manifestations the Greek word *Phanerosis.* 1 Corinthians 12:7-10

The Utterance of Wisdom it is the ability to use knowledge effectively, to apply spiritual truth to everyday life.

- To discern between good and evil..."
- The Gift of Prophecy, to receive and pass on messages from God to His people with authority and urgency.

# Prophecy: Fore Telling, the prediction of future happenings or revelation.

- Forth Telling: exaltation, edification, reproving, using the Word of God.
- Prophecy is communication of the mind of God to a believer (s) by The Holy Spirit.

- The Gift of Faith, the divine ability to remove mountains of difficulty in pursuing the will of God. 1Corinthians 13:22
- To do great exploits for God in response to a command or promise of God, found in His word or communicated privately.

• The Gift of Healing & The Gift of Miracles are often combined together, since they both involve events beyond natural means.

- Healing comes from God to serve many purposes:-
- To glorify the Lord. John 9:1-3
- To release those who are under the power of Satan Acts 10:38

- Ways to administer healing:
- By commanding the sickness in the name of JESUS CHRIST Acts3:6
- By laying on of hands on the sick person mark 16:17 & 18

#### The Discerning of Spirits

- Spiritual discernment is the supernatural insight into the Spirit world.
- Identify the spirit behind supernatural manifestations whether they are from God or not.

• Tongues: To receive and communicate a message of God to His people through a divinely anointed language they never learned.

- The Interpretation of Tongues
- Tongues of men (languages)
- Tongues of Angels
- Unknown tongues of God

- Speaking in tongues as an act directed to God and unintelligible without someone to interpret.
- Distinguished from speech understood in own language.

- Spirit descended on those in the Upper room in forms of fire. and they were able to speak in different languages.
- Holy Spirit gift of speaking or understanding foreign languages.
  - Not to be linked to the gift of praising God in unknown tongues.

QUESTIONS