

Sermon Series: Plugged Into His Power

Sunday, October 18

1st Corinthians 12:4, 7-11

Are The Gifts For Today?

⁴There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit.

⁷Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. ⁸To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, ¹⁰to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines.

Speaking in Tongues? Prophecies? Healings? Discerning of Spirits? These and other **supernatural signs** and **spiritual gifts** were commonplace occurrences in the early church. I am sure the Bible shows us that very clearly! But should we expect to see and be a part of such spiritual gifts today? A great many past saints and growing number of Christians have responded **“YES”** to this question during the twentieth century and up to this present time of today.

The first half of the twentieth century saw the emergence of many of today’s large Spirit filled and Charismatic churches. This was due to the associated manifestation of **“The gifts of the Holy Spirit.”** In the second half of the last century, Spirit-filled, Full-gospel believers led millions more Christians to non-deformational beliefs and to embrace this wonderful gift and empowerment of the present-day validity of these spiritual gifts.

However, just because man has experienced and believe by themselves, this should not establish doctrine. The Bible must be the final authority we follow. In this part three of our series, we will examine a number of scriptures verses which support the **ongoing validity** of the **gifts of the Holy Spirit** throughout the church age.

Will you please join us Sunday Oct 18th, for the next study on Prayer and The Gifts?