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# Spiritual Gifts

1 Peter 4:10–11;

1 Cor. 12; Eph. 4:11, 12



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**1 Pet. 4:8787, “And above all things have fervent love for one another, for ‘love will cover [hide, conceal] a multitude of sins.’ ”**

# What the Bible Teaches About Christian Love



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**1 Tim. 3:2, “A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach;”**

**Titus 1:8, “but hospitable, a lover of what is good, sober-minded, just, holy, self-controlled,”**

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**Phil. 2:14, “Do all things without complaining and disputing,”**

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**gen fem sing**  
**many colored; various**  
**kinds; diversified**

- 1. Each one, means each believer has received a gift.**
- 2. Meaning of *charisma*, gracious gift.**
- 3. Ability to serve, emphasizes function more than ability.**
- 4. These ministries are related to our responsible management of what God has graciously given us.**

- 5. Each believer receives at least one spiritual gift from the Spirit, since the Spirit is said to distribute a gift to each one.**
  
- 6. All of us are to be ministering to the whole. That is part of our grace orientation.**

# **What the Bible Teaches About Spiritual Gifts: An Introduction**



# **1. Definition: Spiritual gifts**

**A ministry, ability, or aptitude sovereignly bestowed on every believer in the Church Age by the Holy Spirit at the moment of salvation for performing a particular service in and for the Body of Christ (Rom. 12:6–8; 1 Cor. 12; Eph. 4:11; Heb. 2:4).**

## **2. Biblical Terms**

**πνευματικῶν, *pneumatikon*, emphasizes the source and nature of the gift, that it relates to the spiritual life of the believer.**

**χάρισμα, *charisma*, emphasizes the grace nature of the gifts. The gifts are not based on any merit in the believer. In some believers the spiritual gift may enhance some natural ability, talent, or inclination; in others it may not.**

**μερισμός *merismos*: a division, separation,  
or a distribution or apportionment.**