

Spiritual Gifts

Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be ignorant. – 1 Corinthians 12:1

A spiritual gift is a special ability given by the Holy Spirit to serve others and strengthen the Body of Christ.

Ways to Discover Our Spiritual Gifts:

- Practice: God reveals spiritual gifts to us as we minister to others.
- Read and Study: There are a number of books that talk about spiritual gifts.
- Take assessments: No assessment is perfect, but it can help get you started.
- Ask others for input: Others will often see gifts in us that we can't see in ourselves.

Directions:

1. Read the traits for each spiritual gift and check every phrase that you think fits you.
2. Count the checkboxes in each category and record the total in the accompanying blank.

Gifts	Traits or Descriptions	Totals
Administration	<input type="checkbox"/> Delegates responsibilities easily <input type="checkbox"/> Organizes effectively <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys completing projects <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys planning and administrative skills <input type="checkbox"/> Successfully sets and achieves goals and objectives	____ out of 5
Apostolic	<input type="checkbox"/> God's used me to bring the gospel to people who have never heard <input type="checkbox"/> God's given me a position of authority over a number of groups of Christians <input type="checkbox"/> Has little fear in leading people where God wants them to go. <input type="checkbox"/> Feels God's called them to go establish new churches where people have never heard the Gospel. <input type="checkbox"/> Feels empowered to stand-alone for Christ in a hostile, unbelieving environment	____ out of 5
Craftsmanship	<input type="checkbox"/> Takes pleasure in drawing/designing objects <input type="checkbox"/> Finds joy in painting or creating handcrafted objects <input type="checkbox"/> Experiences fulfillment in completing projects <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys time spent creating beauty <input type="checkbox"/> Finds satisfaction in repairing and maintaining things	____ out of 5
Discernment	<input type="checkbox"/> It is easy for me to perceive whether a person is honest or dishonest. <input type="checkbox"/> I can sense whether a person is moved by the Holy Spirit, an evil spirit, or by their own flesh. <input type="checkbox"/> The difference between truth and error is easily perceived by me. <input type="checkbox"/> I can judge well between the truthfulness and error of a given theological statement.	____ out of 5

	<input type="checkbox"/> I can quickly recognize whether or not a person's teaching is consistent with God's word.	
Evangelism	<input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys talking to others about faith in Jesus Christ <input type="checkbox"/> I'm troubled when salvation is not emphasized. <input type="checkbox"/> I am attracted to non-believers because of my desire to win them to Christ. <input type="checkbox"/> Takes satisfaction from sharing the Gospel message with others and persuading them to respond <input type="checkbox"/> Finds a certain pleasure in making new friends and sharing the love of Christ with them.	____ out of 5
Exhortation	<input type="checkbox"/> I can identify with weakness and temptation so as to encourage people to repent and believe. <input type="checkbox"/> It is enjoyable to motivate people to a higher spiritual commitment. <input type="checkbox"/> People will take correction from me because they know I am on their side. <input type="checkbox"/> I can challenge others without making them feel condemned. <input type="checkbox"/> I have urged others to seek Biblical solutions to their affliction or suffering.	____ out of 5
Faith	<input type="checkbox"/> I hold fast to my personal belief in the truth even in the presence of ridicule, apparent failure, or pain. <input type="checkbox"/> I am totally convinced God will fulfill his word even if He is not doing so yet. <input type="checkbox"/> My hope in God, against all odds, is inspiring to others. <input type="checkbox"/> I am ready to try the impossible because I have a great trust in God. <input type="checkbox"/> I have believed God for the impossible and seen it happen in a tangible way.	____ out of 5
Giving	<input type="checkbox"/> Conscientiously manages money well in order to be able to give liberally to the Lord's work <input type="checkbox"/> Consistently contributes to the Lord's work out of gratitude for what He has done <input type="checkbox"/> Feels deeply moved by urgent financial needs in the work of God's kingdom <input type="checkbox"/> Is content with maintaining a lower standard of living in order to financially benefit God's work <input type="checkbox"/> Finds a certain pleasure in using financial resources to help others.	____ out of 5
Healing	<input type="checkbox"/> I have prayed for others and physical healing has actually occurred. <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes I have a strong sense that God wants to heal someone through my prayers or words. <input type="checkbox"/> I enjoy praying for sick people because I know that many of them will be healed as a result. <input type="checkbox"/> When I pray for the sick, either they or I feel sensations of tingling or warmth. <input type="checkbox"/> I feel strongly that my prayers for a sick person affect wholeness for that person.	____ out of 5
Hospitality	<input type="checkbox"/> Readily provides food/shelter graciously and willingly to people in need <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys having guests in the home and sharing freely with those in need <input type="checkbox"/> Making visitors and guests feel comfortable and a part of things <input type="checkbox"/> Willingly opens home to guests or strangers even when it is not	____ out of 5

	<input type="checkbox"/> convenient <input type="checkbox"/> Sees his/her home as a resource from God to share with others.	
Intercession	<input type="checkbox"/> Prays faithfully for the needs of others without prodding <input type="checkbox"/> Prays for others when they could be doing other things <input type="checkbox"/> Feels secure in the knowledge that prayers continually work miracles in one's own life and the lives of others <input type="checkbox"/> Knows that praying for others will bring tangible results <input type="checkbox"/> Regards prayer as a favorite spiritual exercise.	____ out of 5
Knowledge	<input type="checkbox"/> God has given me words to say in witnessing situations that surprised even me. <input type="checkbox"/> Through study or experience, I have discerned major strategies God seems to use in furthering His kingdom. <input type="checkbox"/> Acquires and masters new facts and principles that aid others in their growth and stability <input type="checkbox"/> I sometimes find I know things that I have never learned, which are confirmed by mature believers. <input type="checkbox"/> Distinguishes key Biblical truths and facts that benefit self and others.	____ out of 5
Leadership	<input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys persuading other people to accomplish preset goals and objectives <input type="checkbox"/> Shows success in leading other people toward accomplishing specific tasks <input type="checkbox"/> Others follow the example <input type="checkbox"/> Leads small or large groups of people in decision-making processes <input type="checkbox"/> Positively motivates others to accomplish a task.	____ out of 5
Mercy	<input type="checkbox"/> Works joyfully with people who are ignored by the majority of those around them <input type="checkbox"/> Talks cheerfully and compassionately with the elderly and shut-ins <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys working with those in jails and prisons <input type="checkbox"/> Joyfully works with others who can do little if anything in response <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys doing things to comfort people during sickness or times of trouble.	____ out of 5
Prophecy	<input type="checkbox"/> Through God I have revealed specific things that will happen in the future. <input type="checkbox"/> People have told me that I have communicated timely messages that must have come directly from the Lord. <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes I have a burning desire to speak God's word even if I know it will not be well received. <input type="checkbox"/> I sometimes have a strong sense of what God wants to say to people in response to particular situations. <input type="checkbox"/> I sometimes feel that I know exactly what God wants to do in a ministry at a specific point in time.	____ out of 5
Serving	<input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys being called on to do special jobs <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys routine work at church that would seemingly bore other people <input type="checkbox"/> Experiences satisfaction in doing menial tasks for the glory of God <input type="checkbox"/> Is content to take orders rather than give them <input type="checkbox"/> Gladly responds when others express a need for help.	____ out of 5
Shepherding	<input type="checkbox"/> Takes responsibility to care and nurture the whole person in their walk with God <input type="checkbox"/> Provides guidance and oversight to a group of God's people	____ out of 5

	<input type="checkbox"/> Models with their life what it means to be a fully devoted follower of Jesus <input type="checkbox"/> Establishes trust and confidence through long-term relationships <input type="checkbox"/> Leads and protects those within their span of care.	
Teaching	<input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys helping other people learn Biblical facts and principles which aid in the building up of their lives <input type="checkbox"/> Finds joy in sharing with children or adults knowledge about learning and applying God's word <input type="checkbox"/> Sees the faith of others strengthened by teaching about Christ <input type="checkbox"/> Enjoys presenting and discussing Biblical truths with others <input type="checkbox"/> Freely and effectively shares the love of Christ with children and/or adults in an effective and meaningful manner	____ out of 5
Tongues (interpreting)	<input type="checkbox"/> I have interpreted tongues so as to help others worship God without confusion. <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes when a person speaks in tongues, I get an idea about what God is saying. <input type="checkbox"/> When others have prayed in tongues, I felt that I understood the meaning of their prayer. <input type="checkbox"/> When I hear others speak in tongues, I am compelled to explain the meaning. <input type="checkbox"/> My interpretation of tongues has been confirmed by mature believers.	____ out of 5
Tongues (speaking)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes when I pray, it seems as if the Spirit steps in and prays in words I cannot understand. <input type="checkbox"/> I can speak to God in a language I have never learned. <input type="checkbox"/> Praying in tongues has been meaningful to me in my personal prayer life. <input type="checkbox"/> When I give a public message in tongues, I expect it to be interpreted. <input type="checkbox"/> When I speak in tongues, I believe it is edifying to the group I am with.	____ out of 5
Wisdom	<input type="checkbox"/> I have felt an unusual presence of God and personal confidence when important decisions needed to be made. <input type="checkbox"/> Sometimes God gives me an insight into the proper course of action others should take. <input type="checkbox"/> When a person has a problem, I can frequently guide him or her to the best Biblical solution. <input type="checkbox"/> I feel that I have a special insight into selecting the best alternative in a difficult situation. <input type="checkbox"/> People with spiritual problems seem to come to me for advice and counsel.	____ out of 5

Rank the order of your top 5 gifts. Place on the results page in the back as well.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____
4. _____ 5. _____