

EMPOWERED

*RELEASING THE POWER OF GOD
IN YOUR LIFE & MINISTRY*



SPIRITUAL GIFTS

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“...from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love...”

Ephesians 4:16

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What makes ministry effective?

Ministry is effective when every believer uses their gifts in the power of the Spirit for the building of the body in submission to the head – Jesus Christ.

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7. When all believers use their gifts, the needs of the body are met. Eph 4:12-13, 16

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- ii. Because they are serving outside the area of their gifting

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9. Although everyone receives at least one gift at salvation, and these gifts are sovereignly given (I Cor 12:11), we are encouraged to pray for gifts that are currently missing in our area of the body (I Cor 14:1, 13).

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3. Ephesians 4:1-16
4. 1 Peter 4:7-11

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1. Celibacy (I Cor 7:7)
2. Prayer (James 5:16-18)
3. Suffering (Phil 1:29)

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5. Pray that the Holy Spirit will show your gifts to you.

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Answer? You were created with certain weaknesses. The rest of the body has gifts that you need.

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Spiritual gift inventory

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What does it look like when people serve together according to their spiritual gifts?