

RELEASING THE GIFTS



“Grace is God acting in our lives to accomplish what we cannot do on our own.”

Dallas Willard

charisma
grace-gift;
something given that is unearned

For the wages of sin is death, but the **gift** of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23 CSB

“A spiritual gift is when the Holy Spirit manifests his presence and imparts his power into and through individual believers to enable them to exceed the limitations of their finite humanity so that they might faithfully and effectively fulfill certain ministry tasks for the building up of the body of Christ.”

Sam Storms, *Understanding Spiritual Gifts: A Comprehensive Guide*

apostleship

evangelist

leading

tongues

prophet

pastor

mercy

interpretation
of tongues

teacher

encouraging

word of
knowledge

prophecy

helping

administrating

word of
wisdom

faith

service

gifts of
healings

discerning
of spirits

giving

miracles

According to Scripture, what responsibilities do we as believers have with regard to spiritual gifts?

Until I arrive, pay attention to public reading, preaching, and teaching. ¹⁴ **Don't neglect** the **spiritual gift in you** that was given through prophecy when the elders laid hands on you.

1 Timothy 4:13-14 CEB

...having received a reminder of the sincere faith in you which first dwelt in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice. And I am convinced that it is also in you, ⁶ for which reason I am reminding you to **be rekindling** the **gift** of God which is **in you** through the laying-on of my hands.

2 Timothy 1:5-6 DLNT

Romans 12:6-8 ESV

Having **gifts** that differ according to the grace given to us, **let us use them:** if prophecy, **in proportion to our faith;**
⁷ if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

1 Peter 4:10-11 CSB

Just as each one has received a **gift**, **use it to serve others**,
as good stewards of the varied grace of God.

¹¹ If anyone speaks, let it be as one who speaks God's words;

if anyone serves, **let it be from the strength God provides**,

so that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ in everything.

To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.

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But **earnestly**
desire the higher
gifts. And I will show
you a still more
excellent way.
1 Corinthians 12:31 ESV

Pursue love,
and **earnestly desire**
the **spiritual gifts,**
especially that you
may **prophecy.**
1 Corinthians 14:1 ESV

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church, prophecy
in particular*

zeloo
to boil with
either desire
or envy

zeloute
*present
active
imperative*

So, my brothers,
earnestly desire to
prophecy, and do
not forbid speaking
in tongues.
1 Corinthians 14:39 ESV

“This is a not a suggestion or mere advice or wise counsel.
This is a divine command, a mandate from God himself.
If you and I are not earnestly desiring spiritual gifts,
especially prophecy, we are disobedient.”

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