

The 9 Gifts Compared to the 9 Fruits

So many today seek the Gifts without first acquiring the Fruit in their life. We must have the Fruit of the Spirit at work, if we want God to entrust us with the Gifts of the Spirit.

Gifts of the Spirit

1 Corinthians 12

1. Word of Wisdom
2. Word of Knowledge
3. Faith
4. Healings
5. Working of Miracles
6. Prophecy
7. Discerning of Spirits
8. Different Kinds of Tongues
9. Interpretation of Tongues

Fruits of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22-23

1. Love
2. Joy
3. Peace
4. Longsuffering
5. Kindness
6. Goodness
7. Faithfulness
8. Gentleness
9. Self Control

1. The **Word of Wisdom** supernaturally discloses the mind, purpose, and the way of God as applied to a specific situation. If we have the **Wisdom of God**, then we must have **Love**, for God is **Love**. If you search for the first gift of the Spirit, you must possess the first fruit of the Spirit.
2. The **Word of Knowledge** is a supernatural revelation of information about a specific thing and has to do with an immediate need. Jesus gave instruction to His disciples so His **Joy** would remain in them and be full. A **Word of Knowledge** will always be received with **Joy** from His disciples, so we must first strive to have the fruit of **Joy** in our lives.
3. **Faith** is a special outpouring of supernatural **Faith** for release of a miracle. Even a small amount of **Faith** in our Father will bring **Peace** into our lives. If we have the **Peace** that passes all understanding then we will be ready for the Gift of **Faith** when the need arises. So seek first to have the fruit of the Spirit: **Peace**.
4. **Healings** are those **Healings** that God performs supernaturally. If we are **Longsuffering**, then we have learned to be content in any situation as Paul was. He learned that in his weakness, Jesus strength was made perfect. So if we can learn to be **Longsuffering** in all, then we will be able to accept the supernatural **Healing** God has for us. Faith produces miracles, but miracles do not necessarily produce faith, unless we know how to rejoice in any situation. That we do not look for the **Healing**, but for the relationship with God that will bring about the **Healing**.
5. **Working of Miracles** is a manifestation of Divine power to perform something that could not be done naturally. Jesus performed many **Miracles** because He had compassion on the crowds and acted with **Kindness**. Without the Fruit of **Kindness**, we would not be able to use the Gift how God would want us to.
6. **Prophecy** is a supernatural disclosure, a sudden Spirit inspired insight that brings exhortation to the body of Christ. **Goodness** means to have

decency, generosity, righteousness. To exhort and edify the body of Christ we must first possess the virtues and values which are synonymous with **Goodness**.

7. **Discerning of Spirits** is to detect the true spirit behind the acts and manifestations taking place around us. It is used to further build **Faithfulness** on our Lord and Savior. The fruit of **Faithfulness** is the foundation for being true only to our Lord, and the acts of the Holy Spirit. We may then seek the gift of Discerning of Spirits to further our perception of the workings of the true Spirit of God.
8. **Different kinds of Tongues** is praying or singing in a supernatural or heavenly language which has a specific message associated with it. James tells us about the things from above, that they are pure, peaceful, and **Gentle**. How can we seek the Gift which will deliver a message to God's people if we first do not seek fruit of His likeness.
9. **Interpretation of tongues** is translating the message of tongues so that the heavenly message may be given. Would you trust someone translating for you that put their own thoughts and words into your message. You would want someone of great **Self Control** to be true and accurate. How much more would our Father want someone of **Self Control** to translate His holy message to His people.