

## Discovering Your Gifts #2

### *The Revelation Gifts*

1 Cor. 12:8-10

As we continue to look at the gifts of the Spirit, we come to the first category, which is the Revelation Gifts. There are three gifts usually defined as Revelation Gifts: Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge and Discerning of Spirits.

Let's look at these gifts: A Word of Knowledge = *facts revealed supernaturally*.

Definition - a small portion (a "word") of God's total knowledge supernaturally revealed by the Holy Spirit. It's not:

- 1) The gift of knowledge - an ability to learn
- 2) A profound knowledge of the Bible
- 3) The very real knowledge of God and His ways that comes by years of walking with God.

*Examples:*

#### **I. Old Testament**

- A. Elisha and the King of Syria - 2 Kings 6:8-12
- B. Elisha and Gehazi - 2 Kings 5:1-4; 15-27;
- C. Abijah and Jerobam's wife - 1 Kings 14:1-6

#### **II. Ministry Of Jesus**

- A. Nathanael - Jn. 1:47-49
- B. Samaritan woman - Jn. 4:16-19

#### **III. Disciples**

- A. Ananias and Saphira - Acts 5:1-11
- B. Ananias and Saul - Acts 9:11-12
- C. Peter and those sent from Cornelius      Acts 10:19-20 4.
- D. Paul - Acts 27:23,24

#### **IV. Its Uses**

- A. To reveal sin (Ananias and Saphira) 1Cor 14: 25,2
- B. To find lost things (1 Sam.9:15-20)
- C. To warn and provide safety (Elisha and King of Israel)
- D. To reveal thoughts (Mt.9:1-7 "seeing their thoughts")
- E. To help people receive healing (Mt.9:1-7)

#### **V. How It Is Manifested** (diversities of activities)

- A. Pictures (see it in visions, inner pictures)
- B. Inner knowing
- C. A picture of a written Word
- D. Pain in the body (feel it)
- E. A spontaneous utterance (speak it) - 1 Cor. 14:24,25
- F. Dream it

As each of you has received a gift (a particular spiritual talent, a gracious divine endowment),

employ it for one another as (befits) good trustees of God's many-sided grace-faithful stewards of the extremely diverse (powers and gifts granted to Christians by) unmerited favor.

Whoever speaks, (let him do it as one who utters) oracles of God; whoever renders service (let him do it) as with the strength which God furnishes abundantly; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, the Messiah. To Him be the glory and dominion for ever and ever - through endless ages, Amen - so be it. (1 Pet.4:10, 11 Amp.)

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen. (1 Pet. 4:10, 11 NIV)