



**Growth requires change, which is uncomfortable, and we spend most of our lives making decisions that can minimize change and maximize comfort and predictability.**

2.

**The Triunity of God**

- God the Father
- God the Son
- God the Holy Spirit

3.

*While Apollos was at Corinth, Paul took the road through the interior and arrived at Ephesus. There he found some disciples and asked them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" They answered, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."*

4. Acts 19:1-6 (NIV)

*So Paul asked, "Then what baptism did you receive?" "John's baptism," they replied. Paul said, "John's baptism was a baptism of repentance. He told the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied.*

*Acts 19:1-6 (NIV)*

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**The ministry of the Spirit in the life of the believer brings ...**

<b>Power</b>	<b>Bible recollection</b>
<b>Boldness</b>	<b>Guidance</b>
<b>Witness</b>	<b>Visions</b>
<b>Prayer Dependence</b>	<b>Dreams</b>
<b>Encouragement</b>	<b>Promptings</b>
<b>Comfort</b>	<b>Access to all Spiritual Gifts</b>
<b>Conviction</b>	

6.

*After sighting Cyprus and passing to the south of it, we sailed on to Syria. We landed at Tyre, where our ship was to unload its cargo. We sought out the disciples there and stayed with them seven days. Through the Spirit they urged Paul not to go on to Jerusalem. When it was time to leave, we left and continued on our way. All of them, including wives and children, accompanied us out of the city, and there on the beach we knelt to pray.*

7. Acts 21:3-14 (NIV)

*After saying goodbye to each other, we went aboard the ship, and they returned home. We continued our voyage from Tyre and landed at Ptolemais, where we greeted the brothers and sisters and stayed with them for a day. Leaving the next day, we reached Caesarea and stayed at the house of Philip the evangelist, one of the Seven.*

8. Acts 21:3-14 (NIV)

*He had four unmarried daughters who prophesied. After we had been there a number of days, a prophet named Agabus came down from Judea. Coming over to us, he took Paul's belt, tied his own hands and feet with it and said, "The Holy Spirit says, 'In this way the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem will bind the owner of this belt and will hand him over to the Gentiles.'"*

9. Acts 21:3-14 (NIV)

*When we heard this, we and the people there pleaded with Paul not to go up to Jerusalem. Then Paul answered, "Why are you weeping and breaking my heart? I am ready not only to be bound, but also to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus." When he would not be dissuaded, we gave up and said, "The Lord's will be done."*

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### Some of the Spiritual Gifts ...

<b>Knowledge</b>	<b>Mercy</b>
<b>Administration</b>	<b>Miracles</b>
<b>Leadership</b>	<b>Tongues</b>
<b>Apostolic</b>	<b>Interpretation of tongues</b>
<b>Evangelistic</b>	<b>Wisdom</b>
<b>Prophetic</b>	<b>Faith</b>
<b>Pastoral</b>	<b>Giving</b>
<b>Teaching</b>	<b>Encouragement</b>

11.

*Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts of the Spirit, especially prophecy.*

1 Corinthians 14:1 (NIV)

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**The Bible is God's word to you revealing God's universal truth for every generation.**

**The prophetic gift is God's voice to you, by the Holy Spirit, specific to your unique circumstances and life.**

**The Bible is the anchor and lens by which all prophetic words are evaluated.**

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- **Is it given in love and humility?**
- **Does it pass the test of Scripture?**
- **Does it resonate within your spirit?**
- **What do others close to you think?**

16.



*Two or three prophets should speak, and the others  
should weigh carefully what is said.*  
1 Corinthians 14:29 (NIV)

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*I want to know Christ-yes, to know the power of his  
resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming  
like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the  
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Philippians 3:10-11 (NIV)

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