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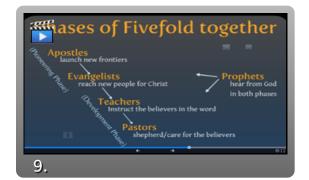
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## Pioneers and Settlers/Developers

- **Pioneers**: Taking new territory and building out new frontiers
- **Settlers/Developers**: Building strong roots, creating stability/consistency

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#### How do I know which of the fivefold gifts fit me?

- Which one(s) fills you and doesn't drain you?
- Which one(s) do you feel good at?
- Which one(s) do you feel most passionate about?
- Take a spiritual assessment survey
- What do those closest to you think?

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