

I Cor. 12: 9-10

Division Ministry of the Spirit

SUBJECT: Precious Spirit Gifts  
For the Church

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I Cor. 12: 6-8

*ministering with the Spirit*  
Precious Spirit Gifts for the Church

Endowments of the Holy Spirit that make precious and sweet, noble and joyful, the work of the church. The members like the Servants - Math 20: 28 "not to be ministered unto...".  
John 13: 14 "if you had known what I have done...".  
Precious gifts that bless the congregation.

I. Enlightenment of mind

1. I Cor. 12: 8  $\lambda\omicron\nu\omicron\varsigma\ \alpha\omicron\phi\iota\sigma\iota\varsigma$

The first of the 9 gifts in I Cor. 12: 8-10  
How to do with God's plan, purpose for His church, His people: the spiritual principles that govern it, the deep spiritual truths that lie back of it. What to do with the wisdom, and.

of I Cor. 12: 32 "the children of wisdom never meet which had understandings of the times, to know what should next be done"  
of Acts 5: 34-40 Gamaliel "if I may counsel you, I fear not to say that I have seen nothing like this in the history of Israel."

So  
Acts 6: 1-7 institution of deacons  
Acts 6: 9, 10 Stephen, not able to withstand the wisdom by which he spoke  
Acts 11: 1-18 Peter before the church, covering the Jewish conditions  
Acts 15: 13-22 James (Jno. pastor) covering judgments

2. I Cor. 12: 8  $\lambda\omicron\nu\omicron\varsigma\ \gamma\nu\omega\iota\sigma\omicron\upsilon\varsigma$

The second of the 9 gifts  
Understanding, appreciation, judgment, grasping the truth of things as they are  
The present situation, seeing, knowing as the W.S. sees, knows.

of D.K. 5: 20-27 Eliezer was to deny  
of D.K. 6: 8-12 Eliezer... words... in the temple?  
of Math. 16: 16, 17 Peter... flesh and blood hath revealed...  
of John 4: 16-18, 29 Jesus and Samaritan woman  
(a) F.B. Meyer tells this story: speaking in the Free Assembly Hall in Falmouth,  
"There is a man here who knows his employer 3 1/2 18th. Until he paid money  
has gone with the... not know of whom speak. A poor man made appointment to  
see him. "Know me?" "No." "Said with I did my good towards your wife. I'll be  
with child return the money in mail."

So  
Acts 5: 3 Peter and conversation in the church  
Rev. 2: 3 Judah and the Seven Churches of Asia

II Sympathy of heart

1. Rom. 12:8 ὁ ἐκείων ἐν ἰλαρότητι  
 ἔλεημοσύνη, mercy, pity (in NT almost)  
 ἔλεος, mercy, pity especially on account of misery, the  
 poor, the sick, the afflicted, widows, orphans  
 ἰλαρός - generous, cheerful, ἰλαρότης - cheerfulness

The gift of sympathy with suffer alongside  
 a divine pity in God Isa. 63:9; Ps. 103:13, 14  
 Our sympathy for each other "Bless to be the best brother" Stange #3.  
 (a) little girl found for a dead, "So sad, little girl, must be  
 dead, it died, why? will you say?" No! - "just must was to  
 in dead, not by her side no one could see her!"

2. Rom. 12:8 ὁ παρακαλῶν ἐν τῇ παρακλήσει  
 παρακαλῶ - to call alongside, to comfort, to encourage  
 παρακλήσις - consolation, comfort, encouragement

Used as a title for Christ I Jn 2:1 "Comforter"  
 the U.S. John 14:16, 26  
 For the members of Christ's body, encouragement, strength

3. Rom. 12:8 ὁ μετὰ δίδους ἐν ἀπλοότητι  
 μετὰ δίδωμι - to share with, to impart  
 ἀπλοότης - simplicity, sincerity, genuineness

a material ministry, manifesting to love, Christ  
 not by sentiment, emotion, but by the U.S.  
 (Christ's body's presence - + love + glorify)

Could it be - the gift of material money is only to support body's need?

III. Practical administration

1. Rom. 12:8 ὁ προϊστάμενος ἐν σπουδῇ  
προϊστημι - to stand before, to preside over, to rule  
I Thes. 5:12; I Tim. 3:4, 5, 13  
σπουδή - speed, haste; diligence, earnestness  
5:17

I Cor. 12:28  
κυβερνήσις, governing, directing  
κυβερνήτης - a steersman, a pilot Acts 27:11  
Rom. 17:7

Administration, ability to rule in the church, maintain order, preside  
according to I Tim. 5:17, entrusted to the pastor-elder-body

2. Rom. 12:7 διακονία ἐν τῇ διακονίᾳ  
διάκονος - a servant  
διακονία - service, ministry  
διακονεῖω - to serve, wait upon

I Cor. 12:28 ἀνὴς ἰκανός (used only here in NT)  
ἀνὴς ἰκανός - to take hold of, to help, share in  
This verbal form used by Paul in Acts 20:35

able to assist. Serviceable ministrations

#### IV. Sublimity of Faith

I Cor. 12:9 ΠΙΣΤΙΣ - trust, believ, faith

Three uses of the word in Scripture

(1) Natural faith, mental assent  
Jas. 2:19 "devils believe ..."

(2) Saving faith  
II Tim. 1:13 committal

(3) Gift of faith  
Fa power. to believe Gods promises, trust in power beyond ourselves.

cf. Abraham Gen. 15:1-6, 17:1, 17, 21:5 = Rom. 4:18-23  
Gen. 22:1-14 = Heb. 11:17-19

cf. Elijah I K. 17:3-6 ravens; I K. 17:8-16 barren, meat... miracle  
(a) "Very Mulla of Bristol" of 1438 by A.D. O'Connell: "It pleases the  
God to give me something like a gift of faith, so that we conditionally?  
could act and just for an army."

7. Daniel 6:19-22 = Heb. 11:33  
(a) "Aided saint, Ananias, 'What for granted:?' - 'Just the Lord'"

From the Paradise in Eden to Patmos in Rev. it means to trust?  
the enjoy of the blessing, the heavenland. Heb. 11.