

**“All for One and One for All”**

**The Christian and Spiritual Gifts**

# Exhortation

1. “Calling someone to one’s side”
2. Same word family as Advocate, Comforter, Helper
3. As a spiritual gift: advising, comforting, counseling, encouraging, pleading, strengthening, warning: **effectively calling others to obey God’s Word.**

# Knowledge

1. Understanding the meaning of the Bible and helping others to understand it.
2. May have formal education or very limited formal training.
3. 2 Timothy 2:15; 1 Corinthians 13:2

# Prophecy

1. The skill of public proclamation of the Word of God.
2. Literally “to speak forth”
3. The gift is being God’s **PUBLIC** spokesman.

# Teaching

1. The ability to interpret God's Truth and present it in an understandable way.
2. Literally means "to open up"
3. Being gifted at explaining the Bible.

# Wisdom

1. The ability to **APPLY** God's Word correctly and effectively.
2. Skillfully applying the Bible to life issues
3. What the Bible means to **ME** and my life; what does God expect from me?

# Discernment

1. “to separate out for examination and judging for what is true and false”
2. It is for the protection of the church
3. The gift to know when something that looks good is in reality bad

# Faith

1. The intensive ability to trust God in difficult and demanding ways.
2. Trusting God in the face of overwhelming obstacles and human impossibilities.
3. Seen especially in prayer.

# Giving

1. Not the normal giving, but intensified
2. A sacrificial sharing from one's own resources
3. Generous, liberal, sacrificial, private

# Leadership

1. “to stand before” and “to guide”
2. To be done with zeal, earnestness, diligence
3. No laziness, procrastination, idleness... with all your heart!

# Mercy

1. Actively demonstrating sympathy
2. Having necessary resources to comfort and strengthen cheerfully
3. Special sensitivity to suffering, sorrow, misery, distress when others don't

# Service

1. General term for ministry; those who serve
2. Taking the burden off someone else and placing it on one's self
3. Very practical helps