

GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT – 2

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1 COR. 12:7-11

The working of the Spirit is powerful, penetrating, transforming and dynamic. On the Day of Pentecost, one gift cut through years of religious tradition that resulted in 3,000 getting saved. They spoke in tongues, Peter preached with penetrating power and 3,000 were added.

1 COR. 2:4-5

When the preaching of the Word is accompanied by the genuine flow of the Spirit, awesome things happen. The lost get saved, the sick get healed, the imprisoned are set free and strongholds are broken.

THE WORD OF KNOWLEDGE

1. Supernatural revelation of past or present facts or events which would be naturally unknown to the recipient.

A. Examples.

- **JOHN 4:16-19** – Jesus knew her history, past and present.
- **MARK 2:8** – Jesus knew their thoughts and words.
- **2 KINGS 6:8-12** – Elisha was told the Kings plans

B. Personal experience.

- Woman who was bitter.
- Woman with a bad back.

C. How it can be received.

- Inward voice.
- Spiritual intuition. Something perceived.
- Mini vision or mental picture.
- Angel.
- Dream.

THE WORD OF WISDOM

1. Supernatural revelation of future events which would not be known by the recipient.

A. Examples

- **IS. 7:14** – Hundreds of years later, this was fulfilled.
- **ACTS 27:10** – Paul had a revelation of future danger.
- **ACTS 27:21-26** – Paul had a revelation of the outcome.

B. Personal experiences.

- “You will be the next Pastor of that church.”
- “Danger ahead.”
- Hospitalized baby.

C. How it can be received.

- Dream. Joseph’s dream revealed God’s future plan for his life.
- Vision. John on Patmos was given a vision of Jesus who gave him a Word of Knowledge (the condition of the churches) and a Word of Wisdom (God’s future plan).
- Prophecy. **ACTS 11:28-30**
- Angels. **ACTS 27:10**

D. The Word of Wisdom can be conditional.

- **2 KINGS 20:1**, Hezekiah

THE DISCERNING OF SPIRITS

1. Insight into the realm of spirits, both good and bad.

A. Examples.

- **IS. 6:1** – Isaiah saw the Lord.
- **ACTS 1:9-11** – The resurrected Christ and angels.
- **LUKE 10:17-18** – Jesus saw Satan fall.

B. Personal experiences.

- My Angel
- A spirit of infirmity, bird-like form.

C. How it is received.

- The Spirit opens our spiritual eyes.