

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND HIS GIFTS #7
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REVIEW:

- * Vocal Gifts: Prophecy, Tongues, Interpretation of Tongues.
- * Tongues: Sign, ministry, devotional.
- * Benefits: Initial evidence, self edification, divine secrets, aids in prayer, removes selfishness, give thanks well, helps control the tongue and builds our faith.

CONTINUE 1 COR. 12:10 Interpretation of Tongues

- 1.) What it's not:
 - A.) Translation or a word by word rendering of what was spoken in tongues.
- 2.) What it is:
 - A.) The supernatural showing forth or explanation of an utterance spoken in tongues.
 - B.) The gift that renders tongues intelligible, so that by it, the church can be edified.
 - C.) The least of all the gifts, because it depends on another, **1 COR. 14:5**.
 - D.) The gift that together with tongues equals prophecy.
- 3.) The Goal:
 - A.) Edification **1 COR. 14:4-5** Tongues edifies the individual, but, nobody else. Prophecy edifies the church. Therefore, tongues and interpretation of tongues accomplish the same effect as prophesying. (**1 COR. 14:12-13**).
- 4.) Why not just use the Gift of Prophecy.
 - A.) To promote interdependence of the members. It takes two individuals dependent on each other to produce the desired result.
 - B.) To get the attention of people that may not be ready to hear a prophetic utterance. By hearing the message in tongues, they realize God is trying to get through and say something. It could be a way God prepares the people to receive an interpretation.
 - C.) To dethrone human intellect. God operates on a higher level than human intellect. One way to overthrow human reasoning and shake up how a service is run, is tongues and interpretation of tongues.
- 5.) Instructions **1 COR. 14:27-29**
 - A.) The ultimate purpose is edifying the church. God doesn't want the service to be wrapped up in one manifestation of the spirit. There must be an interpreter present and the limit is two or three by course.
 - B.) **1 COR. 14:28** If there's no interpreter, there should be no tongue given, or the one giving the message should pray for the interpretation.
 - C.) **1 COR. 14:31** All may prophesy, or speak under the inspiration of the spirit to comfort and teach.
 - D.) **1 COR. 14:32-33** The spirit will never force us to do something apart from our control. We don't blame the spirit if something is said or done that goes against scripture. God is for peace, not confusion.
 - E.) **1 COR. 14:37-41** Our God is a God of order.

