

**I. The Assured Life**

**II. The Transformed Life**

**III. The Multiplied Life** – Allowing Christ to reproduce Himself in us as good  
\_\_\_\_\_ of His abundant grace. (1 Pet. 4:10-11)

**A. Stewardship of Time**

**B. Stewardship of Spiritual Gifts**

1. A spiritual gift is an \_\_\_\_\_ given to each believer by the Holy Spirit for service or ministry within the local church. (Rom. 12:6; 1 Cor. 1:7; 1 Cor. 7:7; 1 Cor 12; Eph. 4:7; 1 Pet. 4:10)

a. What are some words associated with Spiritual gifts?

- It is described as a \_\_\_\_\_ gift. ( 1 Pet. 4:10)
- It is a \_\_\_\_\_ gift. (1 Cor. 12:1)
- It is \_\_\_\_\_.(1 Cor. 12:5)
- It allows you to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of God's grace. (1 Cor. 12:6)

b. Who has been given this gift?

c. How many are given?

d. Why are they given?

2. Spiritual gifts are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to the church.

a. Some were Temporary...

- Word of \_\_\_\_\_ - a speaking gift relative to the application of doctrine before the NT Canon was on the scene.
- Word of \_\_\_\_\_ - a speaking gift relative to the will of God before the NT Canon was complete; those with this gift provided the special direction needed by the church before they had all the revelation on the church in written form. Prophets mentioned in the NT, most likely had this gift. Note the temporary nature of the word of knowledge in 1 Cor. 13:8. Knowledge now comes by the study of God's Word under the filling-control of the Holy Spirit.
- \_\_\_\_\_ - a gift used in the performance of miracles such as those recorded in Acts 3:6-11; 5:14-16; 13:9-11, etc. Those possessing the gift of healing had to know when to utilize it: they did this by the gift of faith. For example, Paul healed many at Ephesus (Acts 19:11,12) yet he could not heal himself (1 Cor. 12:7-10). The gift of faith no longer exists. Faith today comes by properly hearing the Word of God (Rom. 10:17).
- \_\_\_\_\_ - The capacity to heal instantaneously. Note that Paul did not heal Epaphroditus (Phil. 2:27) nor Trophimus (2 Tim. 4:20) nor himself (1 Cor. 12:7-10)
- \_\_\_\_\_ - the capacity of individuals to miraculously alter natural law instantaneously, illustrated in Acts 5:12-16; 20:9-10. God still works miracles, but the gift of working miracles has ceased.
- \_\_\_\_\_ - this involved two things (1) foretelling and (2) forth telling. Foretelling was related to the prediction of certain events before the NT Canon was complete. (see Acts. 11:27-28 for example). Foretelling helped give directions to the Church when it had little objective guidance. Forth telling is commensurate with preaching. Note the temporary nature of this gift (1 Cor. 13:8)
- Discerning of \_\_\_\_\_ - the capacity to detect false teaching and the spirit behind such teaching. Discernment of false teaching now comes by comparing it with the WOG.
- \_\_\_\_\_ - the capacity to speak the praises of the gospel in a foreign language without having any foreknowledge or study of the language.

- \_\_\_\_\_ – the capacity to give oral translation of the foreign language spoken by the one who had the gift of tongues.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – this was a very restricted gift of eminence and absolute authority relative to the pronouncement of doctrine and Divine will in the Church in the first century. This gift was restricted to the 12 and to Paul.

b. Some are permanent...

- \_\_\_\_\_ – gift of shepherd -teachers: men who are primarily concerned with the growth/maturation/equipping of believers so that they do the work of the ministry.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – gift of speaking the gospel in a stimulating way so that believers become increasingly concerned about the accurate presentation of the gospel to unbelievers. The evangelist is primarily concerned with the birth of the person of Christ.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – the capacity to communicate the scriptures to delineate scriptural doctrine and to guide believers into the implications of doctrine to their lives.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – the gift or capacity of encouragement in the things of God. The exhorter calls the believer alongside the things the believer already knows; he is a person who reminds the believer of truths that the believer already knows in a way that strengthens and encourages him.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – the gift of administration. The root word is kubernesis, which means to steer, direct or govern. This person helps others succeed in their responsibilities relative to the local church.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – this is a correlative gift with that of governing: the two are related gifts. The root word is proistemi which means to stand before, to lead. The one gifted to lead in the church is one who is set before the fellowship: he not only serves in a leadership capacity, but he also helps establish what a genuine man of God is like. Every elder has the gift of ruling.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – the root word is diakoneo - to serve. The gift includes the desire to serve the believers of the fellowship in ways that cause the work to function smoothly and progressively. Every deacon has this gift.

- \_\_\_\_\_ – includes helping the assembly in little inconspicuous things: one with this gift has the insight to see things that need to be done in the fellowship.
- \_\_\_\_\_ – this gift is relative to material prosperity: the person with this gift is generous in his giving. He is careful to give exceedingly to the Lord's work.
- Showing \_\_\_\_\_ – the gift of forbearance and the active relieving of suffering.

3. Ministry does not only consist of using your spiritual gifts, for all can minister in the following ways...

- \_\_\_\_\_ (John 4:23-24; Heb.13:15)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Thess. 5:17)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Eph.5:18-20; Col.3:16)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Cor. 8 & 9; Phil 4:14-19)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Cor. 5:17-21)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Peter 4:9; Heb.13:1-2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ (various)

4. We are to be faithful in what God has given us. (1 Cor. 4:1)

- God's grace has given you a spiritual gift to \_\_\_\_\_ Him and others in the body of Christ—so use it!
- God's sovereignty has determined your spiritual gift and \_\_\_\_\_ in the body of Christ—so be content and appreciate the difference!
- God's strength is needed in all \_\_\_\_\_—so rely on Him!
- God's \_\_\_\_\_ must be the goal of your \_\_\_\_\_ for Christ - so do not steal it!