

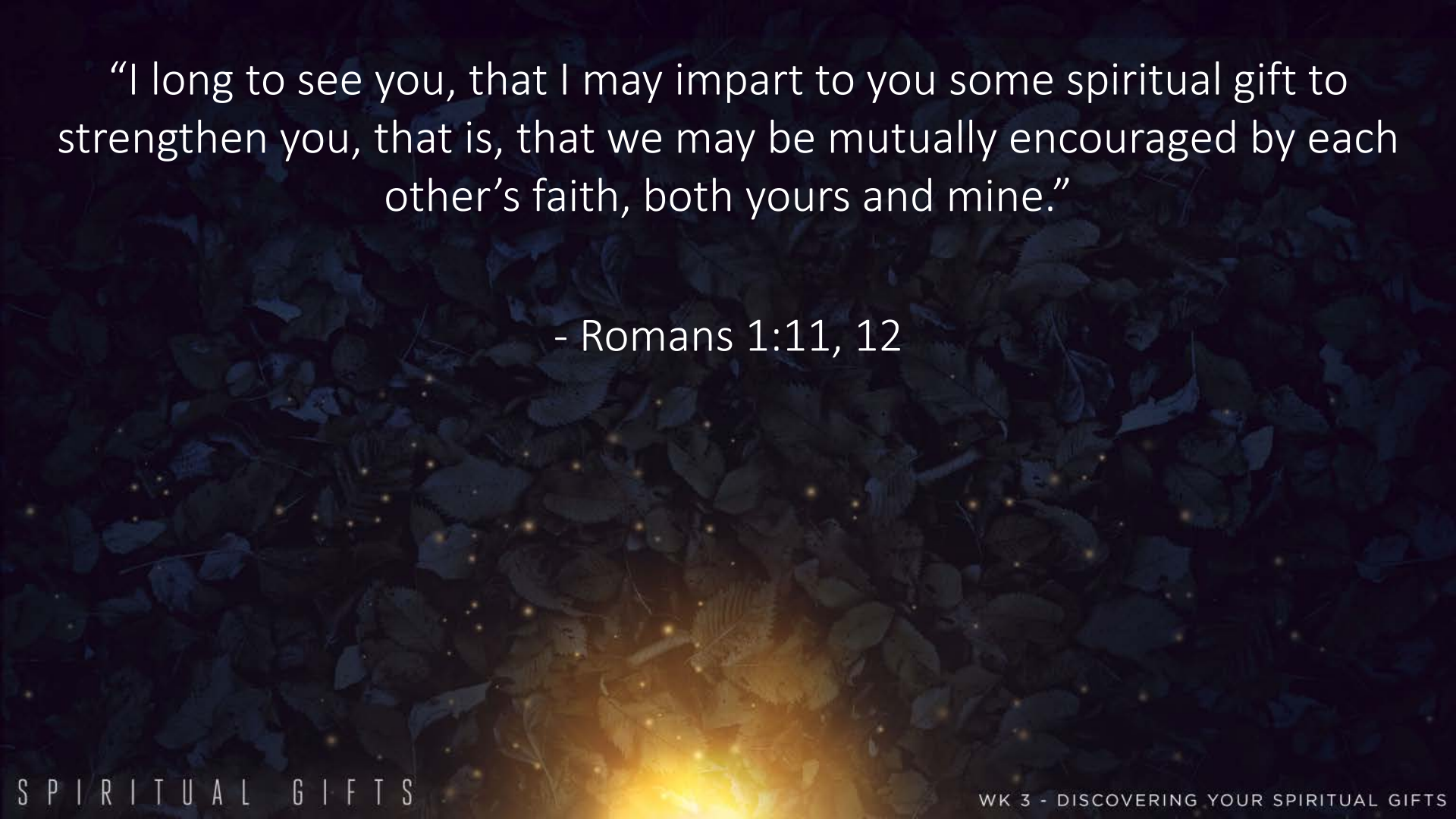
A pair of hands is shown from the front, palms facing each other, holding a bright, glowing light. The light is a warm, golden-yellow color and has a soft, ethereal quality. The background is dark, almost black, and is filled with numerous small, white, star-like specks. In the foreground, there are dark, silhouetted leaves or petals that appear to be falling or floating around the hands. The overall atmosphere is one of mystery, wonder, and spiritual illumination.

S P I R I T U A L G I F T S

WEEK 3 - DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

“Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed”

- 1 Corinthians 12:1



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“We sent Timothy, who is our brother and co-worker in God's service in spreading the gospel of Christ, to strengthen and encourage you in your faith”

- 1 Thessalonians 3:2

1. We have a responsibility to discover and know our gifts

“We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophecy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.”

- Romans 12:6-8

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“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms.”

- 1 Peter 4:10

2. We should desire spiritual gifts

“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. And God has placed in the church first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, of helping, of guidance, and of different kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? 31 Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.”

- 1 Corinthians 12:27-31

2. We should desire spiritual gifts

“Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts of the Spirit, especially prophecy”

- 1 Corinthians 14:1

Spiritual Gifts are Not:

1. Natural Aptitudes, Strengths or Abilities
2. Character Traits
3. Titles and Positions

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A sample of the test interface. It features a central circular icon with a flame. Below the icon are five numbered radio buttons (1-5) for each question. The questions are:

- I trust God completely to do what is best for me according to His perfect will.
- I consistently and joyfully give my income - often more than a tithe.
- The Spirit has brought to my mind information that I have been able to use to minister to others effectively.
- I have a vision for my church or ministry and I know what needs to be done to accomplish it.

I am skilled at organizing people to accomplish many different tasks and objectives.

1 2 3 4 5

I want to establish and equip new churches and/or ministries.

1 2 3 4 5

I can easily determine whether a statement is true to Scripture or not.

1 2 3 4 5

I can clearly and effectively communicate the Gospel to others.

1 2 3 4 5

Tips:

1. Avoid answering with '3' too often as it will skew your results.
2. Answer as 'you are', versus 'how you want to be'

Next steps?

1. Invest and grow in your gifts!
2. Inspect your results

The 'Why?':

1 Corinthians 12:7 – “Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.”

We GET to encourage one another. We GET to love one another. These are some of our tools!

Appendix: Spiritual Gifts list

The following contains definitions of the Spiritual gifts. As mentioned in the message, this is not designed as an exhaustive or comprehensive list but, rather, a list to aid you in your discovery.

A. ADMINISTRATION

The gift of administration is the divine strength or ability to organize multiple tasks and groups of people to accomplish these tasks. Luke 14:28-30, Acts 6:1-7, I Cor. 12:28

B. APOSTLESHIP

The gift of apostleship is the divine strength or ability to pioneer new churches and ministries through planting, overseeing, and training. Acts 15:22-35, I Cor. 12:28, II Cor. 12:12, Gal 2:7-10, Ephesians 4:11-14

C. CRAFTSMANSHIP

The gift of craftsmanship is the divine strength or ability to plan, build, and work with your hands in construction environments to accomplish multiple ministry applications.
Exodus 30:22, 31:3-11, II Chronicles 34:9-13, Acts 18:2-3

D. DISCERNMENT

The gift of discernment is the divine strength or ability to spiritually identify falsehood and to distinguish between right and wrong motives and situations.

Matt. 16:21-23, Acts 5:1-11, 16:16-18, I Cor. 12:10, I John 4:1-6

E. EVANGELISM

The gift of evangelism is the divine strength or ability to help non-Christians take the necessary steps to becoming a born again Christian. Acts 8:5-6, Acts 8:26-40, Acts 14:21, Acts 21:8, Ephesians 4:11-14

F. EXHORTATION

The gift of exhortation is the divine strength or ability to encourage others through the written or spoken word and Biblical truth. Acts 14:22, Romans 12:8, I Tim. 4:13, Heb. 10:24-25

G. FAITH

The gift of faith is the divine strength or ability to believe in God for unseen supernatural results in every arena of life. Acts 11:22-24, Rom 4:18-21, I Cor. 12:9, Hebrews 11

H. GIVING

The gift of giving is the divine strength or ability to produce wealth and to give by tithes and offerings for the purpose of advancing the Kingdom of God on earth. Mark 12:41-44, Romans 12:8, II Cor. 8:1-7, 9:2-7

I. HEALING

The gift of healing is the divine strength or ability to act as an intermediary in faith, prayer, & by the laying on of hands for the healing of physical and mental illnesses. Acts 3:1-10, Acts 9:32-35, Acts 28:7-10, I Cor. 12:9, 28

J. HELPS

The gift of helps is the divine strength or ability to work in a supportive role for the accomplishment of tasks in Christian ministry. Mark 15:40-41, Acts 9:36, Romans 16:1-2, I Cor. 12:28

K. HOSPITALITY

The gift of hospitality is the divine strength or ability to create warm, welcoming environments for others in places such as your home, office, or church. Acts 16:14-15, Romans 12:13, Romans 16:23, Hebrews 13:1-2, I Peter 4:9

L. INTERCESSION

The gift of intercession is the divine strength or ability to stand in the gap in prayer for someone, something, or someplace believing for profound results. Heb 7:25, Col 1:9-12, Col 4:12-13, Jas 5:14-16

M. KNOWLEDGE

The gift of knowledge is the divine strength or ability to bring clarity and to understand situations and circumstances often accompanied by a word from God. Acts 5:1-11, I Cor. 12:8, Col 2:2-3

N. LEADERSHIP

The gift of leadership is the divine strength or ability to influence people at their level while directing and focusing them on the big picture, vision, or idea. Romans 12:8, I Tim. 3:1-13, I Tim. 5:17, Hebrews 13:17

O. MERCY

The gift of mercy is the divine strength or ability to feel empathy and to care for those who are hurting in any way. Matt 9:35-36, Mark 9:41, Romans 12:8, I Thess. 5:14

P. MIRACLES

The gift of miracles is the divine strength or ability to alter the natural outcomes of life in a supernatural way through prayer, faith, and divine direction.

Acts 9:36-42, 19:11-12, 20:7-12, Rom 15:18-19, I Cor. 12:10, 28

Q. MISSIONARY

The gift of missions is the divine strength or ability to reach others outside of your culture and nationality; while in most cases living in that culture or nation. Acts 8:4, Acts 13:2-3, Acts 22:21, Romans 10:15

R. MUSIC / WORSHIP

The gift of music / worship is the divine strength or ability to sing, dance, or play an instrument primarily for the purpose of helping others worship God.

Deut. 31:22, I Sam. 16:16, I Chronicles 16:41-42, II Chronicles 5:12-13, 34:12, Psalm 150

S. PASTOR / SHEPHERD

The gift of pastor / shepherd is the divine strength or ability to care for the personal needs of others by nurturing and mending life issues. John 10:1-18, Eph 4:11-14, I Tim 3:1-7, I Peter 5:1-3

T. PROPHECY

The gift of prophecy is the divine strength or ability to boldly speak and bring clarity to scriptural and doctrinal truth, in some cases foretelling God's plan. Acts 2:37-40, Acts 7:51-53, Acts 26:24-29, I Cor. 14:1-4, I Thess. 1:5

U. SERVICE

The gift of serving is the divine strength or ability to do small or great tasks in working for the overall good of the body of Christ. Acts 6:1-7, Romans 12:7, Galatians 6:10, II Tim. 1:16-18, Titus 3:14

V. TEACHING

The gift of teaching is the divine strength or ability to study and learn from the Scriptures primarily to bring understanding and depth to other Christians. Acts 18:24-28, Acts 20:20-21, I Cor. 12:28, Eph 4:11-14

W. TONGUES (and Interpretation)

The gift of tongues is the divine strength or ability to pray in a heavenly language to encourage your spirit and to commune with God. The gift of tongues is often accompanied by interpretation and should be used appropriately. Acts 2:1-13, I Cor. 12:10, 14:1-14

X. WISDOM

The gift of wisdom is the divine strength or ability to apply the truths of Scripture in a practical way, producing the fruitful outcome and character of Jesus Christ. Acts 6:3,10, I Cor. 2:6-13, I Cor. 12:8