



WHEN THE SPIRIT MOVES

Receiving the Gifts of the Spirit

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1 Corinthians 12:1

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“Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.”
James 4:8 KJV

“...The devil left him and angels came and attended him.”
Matthew 4:11

Scripture tells us God has gifts for His children that He wants us to open and use in our own growth and in caring for others.

“Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed.” 1 Corinthians 12:1 NIV



“You know that when you were still pagans, you were led astray and swept along in worshipping speechless idols. So I want you to know that no one speaking by the Spirit of God will curse Jesus and no one can say, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ except by the Holy Spirit.” 1 Corinthians 12:2-3 NLT

Trusting Jesus Christ as Lord is a gift of the Holy Spirit.

None of us come to God without His help.

“It is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.” Ephesians 2:8

Have you opened His gift yet?

Having something special to share with others is a gift of the Holy Spirit.

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us. A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.” 1 Corinthians 12:4-7 NLT

You may be thinking, I don't have a spiritual gift, but the Bible says you do.

The Holy Spirit gifts God's children to make meaningful contribution.

Needing others in your life is a gift from God.

We are designed to function better and find our best fulfillment in connection with other believers.



“The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ...the body has many different parts, not just one part.” 1 Corinthians 12:12, 20 NLT

“The eye can never say to the hand, ‘I don’t need you.’ The head can’t say to the feet, ‘I don’t need you.’ In fact, some parts of the body that seem the weakest and least important are actually the most necessary.” 1 Corinthians 12:21-22

The human body - healthy, interactive and interdependent - is the illustration the Bible uses to describe the church.

Each part is gifted by the Holy Spirit for each other.

Growing to desire the greatest gift of all – love – is a gift.

“Now you are the body of Christ and each one of you is a part of it...but eagerly desire the greater gifts and now I will show you the most excellent way.” 1 Corinthians 12:27, 31 NLT

God wants you living a great life experience, and part of that is growing in His church to desire the greater things.

“Three things will last forever – faith, hope and love – and the greatest of these is love.” 1 Corinthians 13:13 NLT

God has given each of His children gifts He wants us to open and use, to experience their full value.

To not miss it, not overlook it, not carelessly let it slip away.

The way to experience the Holy Spirit is in community with others.

Will you let that happen?



God wants His family to be your family.

For us to be there for each other – connected and caring, needed and known.

If you don't have it, you are going to feel something is missing.

The gifts God wants you to experience as part of the body of Christ.

Receive them today.

