

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

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It is important to ensure fellowship with God before the study of the Word.

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9).

Hebrews 4:12 For the Word of God is alive and powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword. . .

Ephesians 4:11 And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as **evangelists**, and some as pastors and teachers,

➤ There are two **permanent spiritual gifts** in this verse.

Evangelists - εὐαγγελιστής – EUANGELISTES – “One who preaches good news” - a preacher of the Gospel

εὐαγγελίζω [in verb form] – EUANGELIZO – “To proclaim, to preach, or to announce good news”

The Good News is God’s message to the world – to those in spiritual darkness.

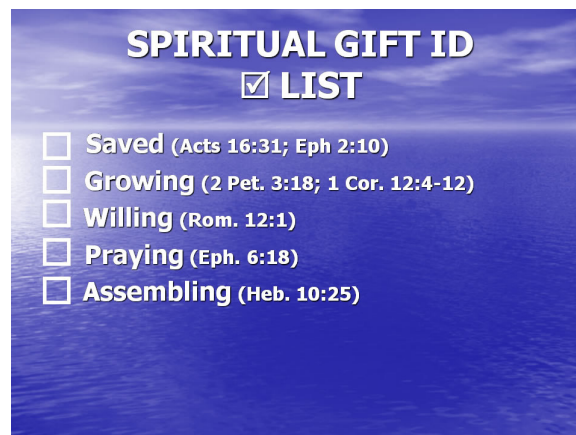
1 Corinthians 15:3-4 “. . . that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.”

THEREFORE, forgiveness of sins and eternal life are freely available to whosoever believes in Jesus Christ as personal Savior.

Definition of the Spiritual Gift of **Evangelism**: The supernatural ability and motivation to preach the Good News to a lost and dying world.

- Philip of Caesarea had the spiritual gift of evangelism [Acts 21:8].
- Timothy was exhorted to do the work of an evangelist [2 Tm. 4:5], even though he had the gift of Pastor-Teacher.
- R. A. Torrey and D. L. Moody both did the work of evangelists.
- Billy Graham

God’s Ambassador, By Billy Graham.



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τούς δὲ ποιμένας καὶ διδασκάλους

ποιμῆν – “Shepherd” διδάσκαλος – “Teacher”

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John Walvoord

V. The Gift of Being a Pastor

The general care of the Christian flock is the work of a pastor, and to this end some receive the gift of being a pastor (**Eph 4:11**). By its very title, it compares to the work of a shepherd caring for his sheep, the word *pastors* being translated *poimenas*, a word meaning literally, *shepherds*. A pastor is one who leads, provides, protects, and cares for his flock. As in the natural figure, no small skill is required to care for the flock properly, so in the spiritual reality a pastor needs a supernatural gift to be to his flock all that a pastor should.

A significant insight into the character of a true pastor’s work is afforded by the close connection between pastoral work and teaching. In **Ephesians 4:11**, the use of *kai*, linking pastors and teachers instead of the usual *de*, implies that one cannot be a true pastor without being also a teacher. The principle involved is of tremendous significance. While it is not necessary for a teacher to have all the qualities of a pastor, it is vital to the work of a true pastor that he teach his flock. It is obvious that a shepherd who did not teach his flock would not be worthy of the name. Likewise in the spiritual realm the first duty of a pastor is to feed his flock on the Word of God. Quite apart from being merely an organizer, promoter, or social leader, the true pastor gives himself to preach the Word.

For detailed information of the gift of Pastor-Teacher you may download lessons *free of charge* from www.archangelbibleministries.org

11 Greek Words Representing Permanent Spiritual Gifts and/or Activities			
	56-57 AD Rom. 12:7-8	56 AD 1 Cor. 12:28	60-62 AD Eph. 4:11
1.	διακονία		διακονέω
2.	διδάσκω	διδάσκαλος	
3.	παρακαλέω		
4.	μεταδίδωμι		
5.	προΐστημι		
6.	ἐλεάω		
7.		ἀντίλημψις	
8.		κυβέρνησις	
9.			εὐαγγελιστής
10.			ποιμῆν-διδάσκαλος
11.			λαλέω

Note: Gifts and Activities can overlap

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11 English Words Representing Permanent Spiritual Gifts and/or Activities			
	56-57 AD Rom. 12:7-8	56 AD 1 Cor. 12:28	60-62 AD Eph. 4:11
1.	service		servicing
2.	teaching	teachers	
3.	exhorting encouraging		
4.	giving		
5.	leading caring		
6.	mercy		
7.		helps	
8.		administrations	
9.			evangelist
10.			shepherd-teacher
11.			speaking

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Gifts & Activities Overlapped

	56-57 AD Rom. 12:7-8	56 AD 1 Cor. 12:28	60-62 AD Eph. 4:11	64 AD 1 Pt. 4:11
1.	service			servicing
2.	teaching	teachers		speaking
3.	exhorting encouraging			speaking
4.	giving			servicing
5.	leading - caring			servicing
6.	mercy			servicing
7.		helps		servicing
8.		administrations		servicing
9.			evangelist	speaking
10.			shepherd-teacher	speaking

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prophecy service	apostles prophets	apostles prophets
teaching	teachers	shepherd-teacher
exhorting encouraging	miracles healing wisdom	
giving	knowledge	
leading - caring	faith	
mercy		
	helps administrations	
	tongues interpretation	evangelist

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SPIRITUAL GIFTS - Definitions

- Service:** The supernatural ability & motivation to serve in an official or nonofficial capacity within a local church or ministry.
- Teaching:** The supernatural ability & motivation to break down biblical truth, apply and communicate it in a relevant manner to believers.

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SPIRITUAL GIFTS - Definitions

- Encouraging Exhortation:** The supernatural ability & motivation to encourage fellow believers to take action in realizing God's will.
- Giving:** The supernatural ability & motivation to effortlessly give liberally in grace with faith from one's abundance.

*Remember: Spiritual Gifts Function in the Superlative

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Remember that all gifts function in the superlative!

SPIRITUAL GIFTS - Definitions

- Leading-Helmsman:** The SA, M, and insight to arrange, direct, and administrate the resources in the church for the greatest impact.
- Mercy:** The SA&M to attend and care for those believers who are sick, handicapped, or terminally ill.

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SPIRITUAL GIFTS - Definitions

- Helps:** The SA&M assist fellow believers in tasks by sharing the burden/workload.
- Evangelist:** The SA&M to preach the Good News to a lost and dying world.
- Pastor-Teacher:** The SA&M to provide direction and feed the flock with the Word of God.

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