

*Jesus said, "I am the way,
the truth, and the life."*

—John 14:6

What is TRUTH?

Culture demands ... and deserves an answer



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1 Corinthians 12:4-7 NIV

HOLY SPIRIT

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

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Fruit *of* *the* Spirit



If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-25



There is no indication
anywhere in Scripture that
God planned for the
supernatural manifestation
of His Spirit to cease
during the church age.

THE
GIFTS OF
THE
SPIRIT



1 CORINTHIANS 12



Gifts of the Spirit

- ◆ 1 Corinthians 12
 - Different gifts, but the same Spirit
- ◆ 8 To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit,



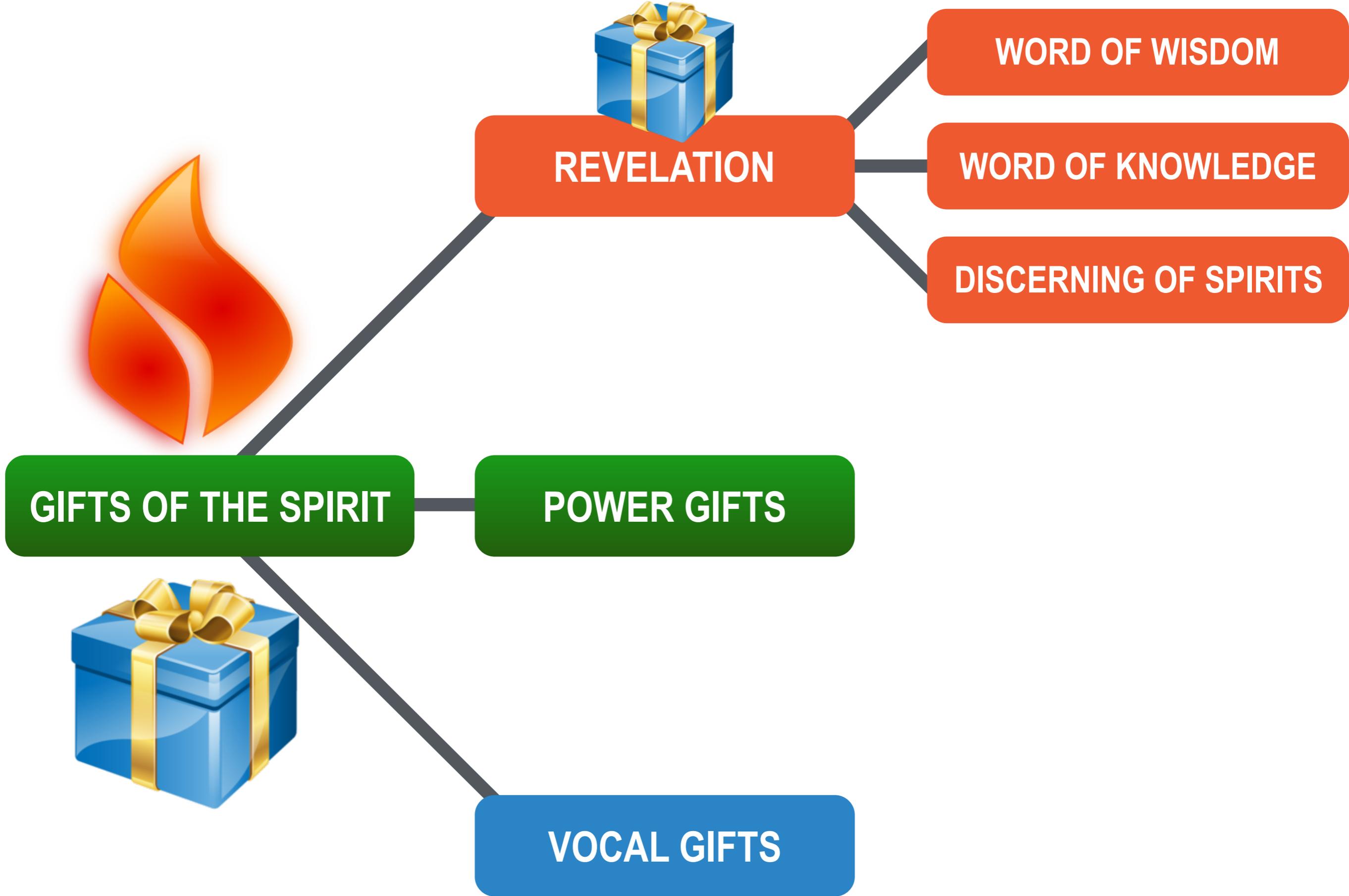
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- ◆ 10 to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues.



Gifts of the Spirit

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 - Different gifts, but the same Spirit
- ◆ 11 All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.





Gifts of Revelation

- **Word of Wisdom**

- Wisdom imparted by the Spirit

- The Word of Wisdom can be defined as *“the supernatural gift of a portion of divine insight, judgment, or guidance for a particular need.”*
(David Bernard)



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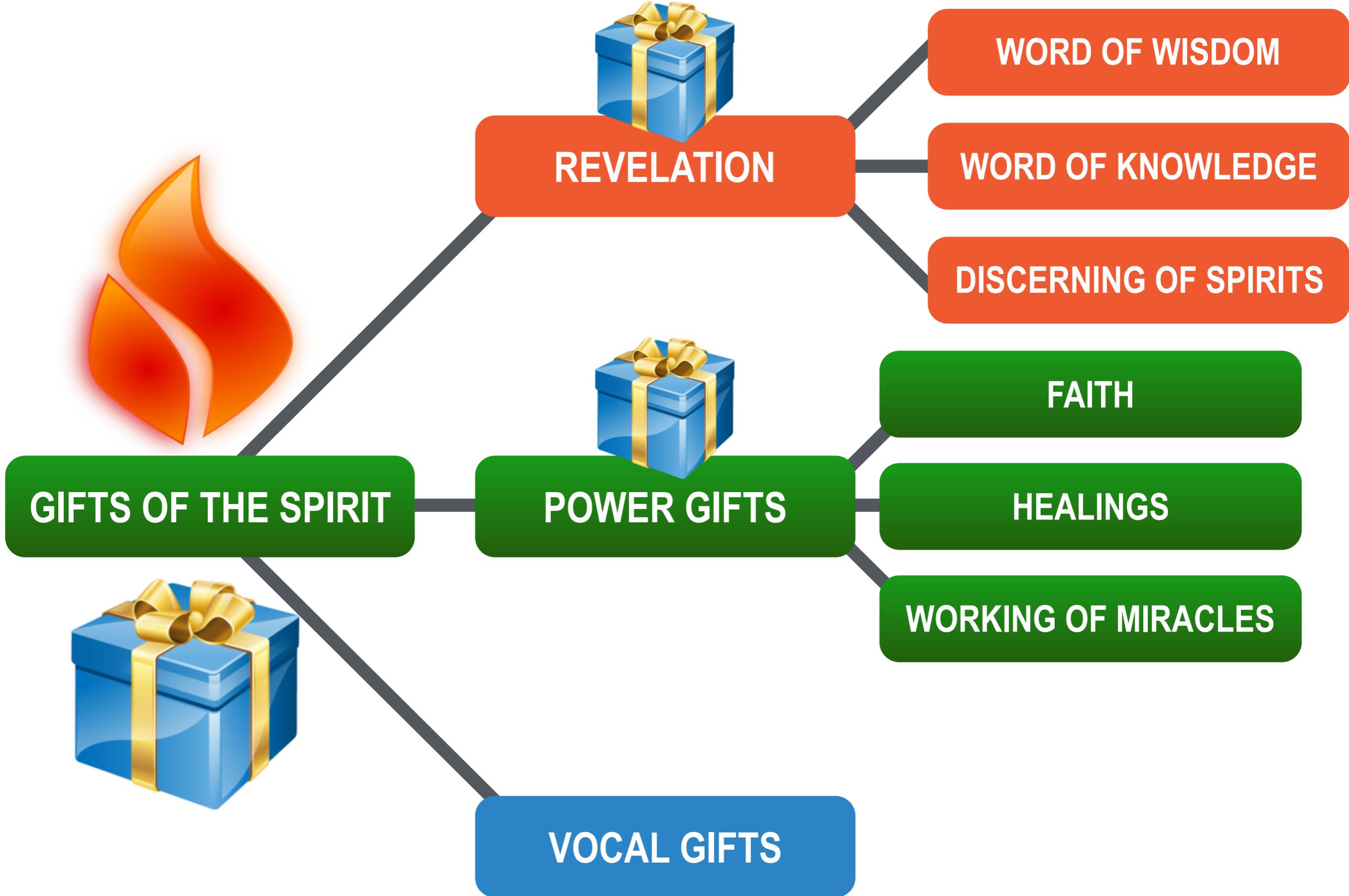
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- **Discerning of spirits**
 - The Holy Spirit, and faithful angels
 - fallen angels, demons, or evil spirits
 - human spirits





Gifts of Power



- **Faith**

- The gift of faith — sudden assurance given by the Holy Spirit that God will act
- “The supernatural ability to trust God, or to inspire trust in God, for a particular need or circumstance.” (D. Bernard)



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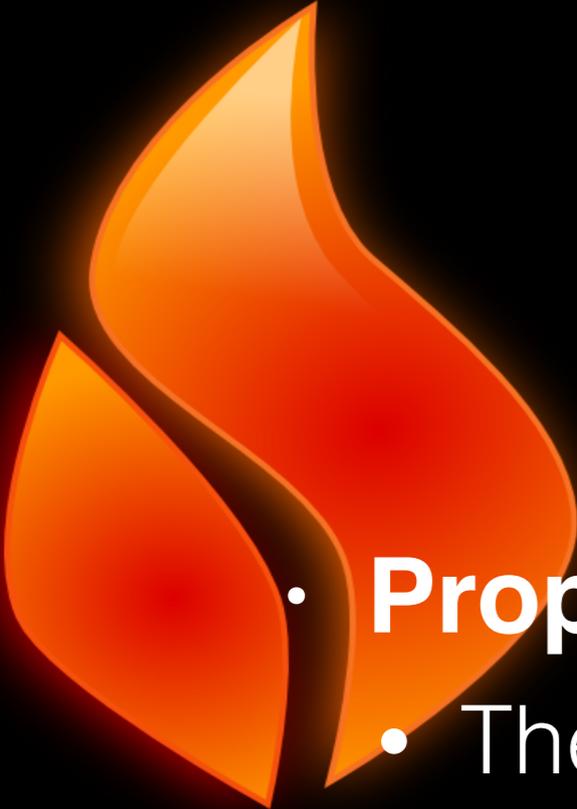
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- **Workings of Miracles**

- Visible or instantaneous change





Gifts of Speech



- **Prophecy**

- The ability to speak words given by the Holy Spirit (edification, exhortation, comfort)

- **Tongues**

- The ability given to a believer by the Holy Spirit to speak in languages not understood by the speaker

- **Interpretation**

- The ability given by the Holy Spirit to speak, in a language understood by the speaker, the meaning of words previously spoken in a language he did not know.



1 Corinthians 12



- **27** Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually. **28** And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues.
- **29** *Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles?* **30** Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? **31** But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way.

IF I SPEAK

IN THE TONGUES OF MEN
OR OF ANGELS, BUT DO NOT HAVE

➔ LOVE ➔

I AM ONLY A RESOUNDING GONG
OR A CLANGING CYMBAL.

1 Corinthians 13:1



1 Corinthians 14



- **1** Pursue love, and desire spiritual *gifts*, but especially that you may prophesy.
2 For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands *him*; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries. **3** But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men. **4** He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church.

Instructions for Spiritual Gifts



- **Prophecy is preferred because there is understanding**
- **1 Corinthians 14:5-6** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies *is* greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification. But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching?

Instructions for Spiritual Gifts



- **Tongues spoken out in public should be in conjunction with Interpretation of tongues**
- **1 Corinthians 14:12** “Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual *gifts*, *let it be* for the edification of the church *that* you seek to excel.¹³ Therefore let him who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret. ¹⁴For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. ¹⁵What is *the conclusion* then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding.

Instructions for Spiritual Gifts



- **Operation of Spiritual gifts are to be ordered and bring encouragement and peace**
- **1 Corinthians 14:27-33** “If anyone speaks in a tongue, *let there be two or at the most three, each* in turn, and let one interpret. But if there is no interpreter, let him keep silent in church, and let him speak to himself and to God. Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others judge. But if *anything* is revealed to another who sits by, let the first keep silent. For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged. And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. For God is not *the author* of confusion but of peace, ...



The Nine Spiritual Gifts

- ◆ “How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification.” —1 Corinthians 14:26



Sign of the Gift VS. a Gift of the Spirit



- At Pentecost all received the Holy Spirit and all spoke in tongues.
- In the church not all exercise the “gift of tongues”
- Speaking in tongues is unto God and edifies oneself.
- The gift of tongues edifies the church when there is an Interpretation of Tongues



Conclusion

- Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak with tongues. Let all things be done decently and in order.

—1 Corinthians 14:39-40

