Gifts to the Church or Body of Christ

1/ Given by-God the Holy Ghost

2/ God the Son and

3/ God the Father

1Corinthians 12:4-6* Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. (Holy Spirit)

5* And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. (Jesus)

6* And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God (The Father)

Holy Spirit (9 Gifts)

for the church

1Corinthians 12:7-11* But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

8* For to one is given by the Spirit (1) the word of wisdom; to another (2) the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

9* (3) To another faith by the same Spirit; to another (4) the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

10* To another the (5) working of miracles; to another (6) prophecy; to another (7) discerning of spirits; to another (8) divers kinds of tongues; to another the (9) interpretation of tongues:

11* But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will

You must receive the anointing or baptism of the Holy Spirit BEFORE you can receive HIS gifts. In other words, if you do

not believe tongues is for you, you WILL NOT receive his gifts.

It's like trying to get to heaven with out Jesus.

Jesus (5 gifts of operation)

Ephesians 4:11* And he gave some, (1) apostles; and some,

- (2) prophets; and some, (3) evangelists; and some,
- (4) pastors and (5) teachers;

For illustration purposes, we will use the fingers on your hand.

Teachers - your little finger, the teaching ministry is necessary BUT it is not an exciting or crowd exciting, smaller like your little finger.

Pastors - Your ring finger, because a pastor is married to the church. A pastor is a shepherd of the flock one who should be concerned if the flock is being fed right. The church needs the full body ministry, too many pastors try to fill the whole five gifts of operation themselves.

<u>Acfs 20:28</u>* Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

Evangelists - The middle finger or the tallest or more prominent of all the fingers. An evangelist is outspoken, usually loud, if they believe in the Holy Spirit? there are signs and wonders, a drawing card or what some call gimmicks. There are more souls that come to know Christ through an evangelists ministry than any of the rest.

Prophets - This is the pointing finger, God uses the prophet to point out what you should or should not be doing. On a congregational or individual basis or as a warning to be prepared for the future.

Apostle - This is the thumb, they are one that have no fear to trust God and venture out and start new works or churches. An Apostle can fill all of the five gifts of operation, your thumb can touch the tips of all your fingers with ease (try it). They may not excel in all five but they can function till the pastor takes over.

1Corinthians 12:29-30 Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

The Father (7 administration Gifts) Do not confuse these with the five gifts of operation These are gifts within the body

Romans 12:6-8* Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;

Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.

- 1/ Prophecy not to be confused with Prophesy sharing or testifying.
- 2/ Ministry Usher, office worker, administration work, Song and praise leader.
- 3/ Teaching Sunday School, Bible Study, leadership
- 4/ Exhorting Encourage or urge others, help build there esteem.
- 5/ Giving -financially or time and effort

6/ Rule - management, in charge of something
 7/ Mercy - good will and kindness

1Corinthians 12:18-27* But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.

And if they were all one member, where were the body?

But now are they many members, yet but one body.

And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:

And those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness. For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked:

That there should be no schism (Devision) in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.

And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.

Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

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