Prophet

Definitions: Old testament times and some today.

One inspired by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the word of God: present events and future events.

From time of Christ to the end.

A few similar to O/T times

A Prophet proclaims the word of God

<u>1Corinthians</u> 12:28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, Someone that is called and taught by

the Holy Spirit to proclaim his word and form fellowships where the gifts of the Holy Spirit are allowed to flow.

Secondarily prophets, Someone called of God such as Bishop or Pastor (the same), or anyone that gives a word of exhortation or encouragement or reveals an inner problem to enable the hearers to be edified and thus walk closer to the Lord.

It may Prick the heart of someone to repentance.

BUT it will never cut someone in the heart, thus bringing embarrassment, pain or suffering. This type is not the Spirit of God.

Thirdly teachers, These are those that have studied the word of God and are gifted by the Holy Spirit to expound the word of God in it's deeper meaning. It is also those that trust God to give them wisdom and his ability to teach children the bible stories and how to serve and love Jesus

After that miracles, One of the gifts of the Holy Spirit (1Corinthians 12:9-10) It is Supernatural and happens in a very short time.

Then gifts of healing. The gift of healing is healing, but at an excelorated rate, compared to natural healing.

Helps, Sunday school teacher, usher, janitor etc. This is a gift and as you pray and seek God for guidance, He will give you an anointing and special blessing for serving Him (for that is what your doing)

Governments, This is Elders, Deacons, office staff etc.

Diversities of tongues. Message in tongues (a different language) or interpreting a message in tongues.

(for the edifying of the church)

Also - the tongues you receive when baptized with the Holy Ghost. (this is for your edification only and not the church)

NOW it is unlikely that all these are in operation through or by one person, but the Lord says he will give the gifts severally (more than two), as he will, (1Corinthians 12:11)

<u>1Corinthians</u> 14:37 If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the commandments of the Lord.

<u>1Corinthians 4:2</u> Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

<u>John 14:15</u> If ye love me, keep my commandments.

1Corinthians 14:26-32 How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

<u>27</u>* If any man speak in an unknown tongue, let it be by two, or at the most by three, and that by course; and let one interpret.

<u>28</u>* But if there be no interpreter, let him keep silence in the church; and let him speak to himself, and to God.

29* Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.

<u>30</u> If any thing be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.

<u>31</u>* For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.

<u>32</u>* And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. In other words, you can quench the Spirit. He will not speak through you unless your in agreement. You have to speak the first word or two by faith.

For those that Love and serve Jesus, You Will Know if someone is not speaking with the Spirit of God. The Spirit within you will testify to you.

Romans 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

1John 5:6 This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

Trust this will give some insight

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