

**Faith Christian Fellowship**  
**Sunday, August 19, 2012**  
**Don't Give up The Ghost! 4**  
**Learning to Profit**

**TEXT:** Acts 19:1-7 / 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

We determined that there is great blessing to praying and worshipping in other tongues. That is just the beginning of walking out into the supernatural realm described so vividly by the Apostle Paul.

♥ There are many diverse manifestations of the Spirit

- The Holy Spirit is everywhere. Ps 139:7-10 He occasionally manifests Himself for The purpose of profit to all.
- We are commanded to desire the best gifts: 1 Cor 12:31 / 14:1

♥ Defining the Fab 5

- The word of wisdom
  - Definition: A supernatural revelation by the Spirit of God revealing the purpose of God, the will of God, and His knowledge of coming events. Always predicts or instructs concerning the future.
  - Manifested by inward revelation, the audible voice, a vision, or a manifestation of an utterance gift. (See Word of knowledge.)
  - Illustrations: Acts 9:10-16 / Acts 11:28-30 / Acts 27:21-25 / 2 Kings 20:1-6 / 2 Chron 32:24-26 / Is 38:1-5.
- The word of knowledge
  - Definition: A word or a bit of the knowledge of God concerning facts or events currently or previously in existence.
  - How is it manifested? Visions Acts 9:10-12./ Voice of the Spirit Acts 10:19 / Inward revelation, John 6:61 / Utterance, I.E. prophecy or tongues and interpretation.
  - Illustrations: 1 Kings 19:4,14,18 / 2 Kings 5:25,26 (Acts 5:3,4,9). / 2 Kings 6:9-12 / 1 Samuel 9:3-6,19-20 / 1 Samuel 10:21-23 / John 4:17,18 Acts 14:9
- Faith (Special faith)
  - Definition: A supernatural endowment of faith to believe in receiving miracles of provision, protection, and preservation. A confidence in God beyond one's usual ability to trust Him.

- The Amplified calls it "Special faith." This is not saving faith. (Ephesians 2:8), Not general faith for answered prayer: (Rom 10:17 / Mk 11:24) Not the character fruit of faith: Galatians 5:22
- Illustrations: Daniel 6:16-23 / Mark 4:38 / Matt 14:29 / 1 Kings 17:2-6

➤ Gifts of healings

- Definition: The supernatural power of God brought to bear on an illness causing an immediate cure or healing.
- The word "gifts" is plural in each occurrence in 1 Corinthians 12 when referring to healings. **NOTICE:** Acts 8:7
- Many ways to minister healing Matthew 8:8 / Mark 16:18 / Mark 6:1-6 / Acts 10:38 / Mark 5:30
- The gifts of healings John 5:1-9,19. "Gifts" = *charismata* = an endowment or ability given by the Spirit.
- Individuals in the Body will be noted as "gifted" in ministry to the sick. We must learn to identify and utilize those so gifted.

➤ The working of miracles

- Definition: An endowment of power to act as the instrument in bringing about specific divine intervention into the order of the natural universe. (Miracle = *dunamis* (GR) = power. Miracles are intense explosions of the power of God.)
- Illustrations: John 2:7-9 / Exodus 7:8-12 / Joshua 10:12,13 / 2 Kings 6:6 / Acts 13:4-12 / Romans 15:18-21 Paul used signs in evangelism. (Acts 8:13)

♥ The Body of Christ is a very diverse organism

- Compared here to a human body: 12-28. The Spirit is among us for the profit of all.
- **Our job:**
  - **Seek** the manifestation of the Spirit among us. 1 Cor 12:31
  - **Recognize** the diverse parts: an atmosphere where gifts can be discovered and manifested. 1 Cor 12:24-27
  - **Order** and coordinate to bring the power of God to bear on the needs of broken humanity. 1 Cor 12:31 / 14:7-12