Spiritual Gifts

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1. Terms

Spiritual gifts are visible displays of God-given abilities to serve in various capacities.

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1 Cor 12:1 — ton pneumatikon - the spirituals; things characterized or controlled by the Spirit

1 Cor 12:4, Eph 4:7 — charisma – grace-gift; operation of divine favor; grace-endowments; God-granted abilities

Eph 4:7-8 — *charisma* – grace-gift, operation of divine lavor, grace-endownents, Gou-granted about the lavor of the lavo

1 Cor 12:5 — *diakonia* – deacon; service; administration; ministry

1 **Cor 12:6** — *energema* – energy; operation; activity 1 **Cor 12:7** — *phanerosis* – manifestation; display

The "gifts of the Spirit" are not the same as the "gift of the Spirit". The "gifts" are visible manifestations of the Spirit indwelling a person, which is the "gift of the Spirit":

John 14:16 And I w	rill pray the Father, and he shall give you another	, that he may abide with you for ever;
Even the	of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it	seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know
him; for he	with you, and shall be you.	
John 14:26 But the	Comforter, which is the	, whom the Father will send in my name,
he shall	you all things, and bring all things to your	, whatsoever I have said unto you
Note that in the pass the Holy Spirit is a I	sage above, two roles for the Holy Spirit are to teach and to re He, not an It.	mind of what has already been taught. Note also that
Joel 2:28 And it sha	ıll come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my	upon all flesh 32 And it shall come
to pass, that whosoe	ver shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for i	n mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance,
as the LORD hath sai	id, and in the remnant whom the	
Acts 2:16 But this is	s that which was spoken by the prophet	; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith
	of my upon all flesh: 38 Then I	
	me of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall recei	
Ghost. For	is unto you, and to your children	, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the
	our God	
Note that in the two	passages above, Peter's sermon in Acts 2 mirrors God's prom	ise in Joel 2.
Acts 10:44the	fell on all them v	which heard the word. And they of the circumcision
	e, as many as came with Peter,	
	of the	
Acts 11:16 Then ren	nembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indee	d baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with
	Forasmuch then as God gave them the	
	, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I	

Note that the "gift of the Holy Ghost" is equated to the Holy Ghost falling on people, & to people being baptized in the Holy Ghost.

2. How Are Spiritual Gifts Acquired?

2.A. Spiritual Gifts Acquired "Naturally"

<i>Ex 36:1</i> [Into Bezaleel and Aholiab, YHWH put]	and		to know how to worl
all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary.			
<i>Ex</i> 36:2 [When wisdom was put into a person by God, I	his] heart	him up to com	e unto the work to do it.
Ex 31:3 And I have filled him with the	of	, in	, and in
, and in	, and in all	of	f
Gal 1:15-16 But when it pleased God, who separated m	ne from my		, and called
me by his grace, To reveal his Son in me, that I might _			
conferred not with flesh and blood: (cf HCSB - "But wh			
"But when he who had set me apart before I was born		-	, ,
womb of my mother, and having called [me] through Hi		r	5-1
At what point in his life was Paul "called" to be a pread	cher?		
What additional gift was put into the heart of Bezaleel a	and Aholiab in Ex 35:30,34? T	That they may	
What we would call natural-born talents, or learned ski	lls, or aptitudes, God credits a	s being the spirit of	God (Ex 31:3).
2.B. Spiritual Gifts Acquired by Sudden, Ur	nexpected Gifting		
Acts 2:1-4 And when the day of Pentecost was fully con	ne, they were all with one acco	ord in one place. An	dthere
came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind,	, and it filled all the house whe	ere they were sitting	. And there appeared unto
them cloven tongues as of fire, and it sat upon each of the	hem. And they were all filled v	vith the	
, and began to speak with other	er tongues, as the	gave t	hem utterance.
This event occurred to Jews.	Some time later, a similar even	nt occurred to Genti	les:
Acts 10:44 While Peter yet spake these words, the		fell on all them	which heard the word. And
they of the circumcision (the Jews) which believed were	e	, as many as cam	e with Peter, because that on
the Gentiles also was poured out the	of the		·
Acts 11:15 And as I began to speak, the		fell on them, a	s on us at the beginning.
Acts 11:17 Forasmuch then as God gave them the		as he did	d unto us, who believed on the
Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand Go	od?		
Were these Gentiles baptized prior to receiving the Holy	Spirit?Yes	or No	
Was anyone expecting the Gentiles to receive the Holy S	Spirit?Yes	or No	
Had they asked for, or prayed for, the Holy Spirit?		or No	
Had anyone laid their hands on them for them to receive	e the H.S.?Yes	or No	
In Acts 11:17 to what does "the aift" refer?			

2.C. Spiritual Gifts Acquired by the Laying On of Apostle's Hands

<i>Acts</i> 8:14-18 Now when the apostles which were	at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had receive	d the word of God, they sent unto them
Peter and John: Who, when they were come down	n, prayed for them, that they might receive th	ne
: (For as yet he was falle	n upon none of them: only they were baptize	ed in the name of the Lord Jesus.) Then
laid they their hands on them, and they received the	he Holy Ghost. And when Simon saw that th	rough on of the
	the Holy Ghost was given, he offered the	nem money, Saying, Give me also this
power, that on whomsoever I	hands, he may receive the	·
2 <i>Tim</i> 1:6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance to	hat thou stir up the	of, which is in thee
by the on of my		
1 Tim 4:14 Neglect not the	that is in thee, which was given thee b	y prophecy, with the
on of the	of the	·
2.D. Spiritual Gifts Acquired by Desire	e and Prayer	
1 Cor 14:1 Follow after charity, and	spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may	prophesy.
1 <i>Cor</i> 14:12-13 Even so ye, forasmuch as ye are	of spiritual gifts,	that ye may excel to the
edifying of the church. Wherefore let him that spe	eaketh in an unknown tongue	that he may interpret.
1 Cor 14:39 Wherefore, brethren,	to prophesy, and forbid not to s	peak with tongues.
How many methods have we seen above for acqui	irina spiritual aifts?	(hint: A. B. C. D)

3. Who Is Given Spiritual Gifts?

Rom 12:4-6 For as we have	many members in one body, and	members have not the same office: So we, being members one of another. Having then		
, are one	body in Christ, and			
differing	according to the grace that is given to us	[let us use those gifts accordingly].		
1 Cor 7:7b But	man hath his proper	of God, one after this manner, and another after that.		
1 Cor 12:7 But the	of the Spirit is giv	en to to profit withal		
<i>Eph 4:7</i> But unto	of us	is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.		
Wherefore he saith, When h	ne ascended up on high, he led captivity ca	aptive, and gave unto men.		
1 Peter 4:10 As	man hath received the	, even so minister the same one to another, as		
good stewards of the manife	old grace of God			

4. Are All Spiritual Gifts "Miraculous"?

1 Cor 12:4-11 Now there ar	e	of gifts, but the	same Spirit. And ther	e are differences of	administrations,
but the same Lord. And then	e are diversities of		_, but is is the same Go	od which worketh al	l in all. But the
	of the Spirit is given to		man to profit withal.	For to one is given	by the Spirit the
word of	_; to another the word of know	wledge by the sam	e Spirit; To another fai	ith by the same Spir	it; to another the
of healing	by the same Spirit; To anothe	r the working of _	;	to another	; to
another the	of spirits; to anothe	r divers kinds of _		_; to another the int	erpretation of
; But all	these worketh that one and se	lfsame Spirit, divid	ding to	man sever	ally as he will.
Rom 12:6-8 Having then	differii	ng according to the	grace that is given to	, wh	ether prophecy,
let us	according to the proport	ion of faith; Or	,	let us wait on our m	ninistering; or he
that	, on teaching; Or he that		_, on exhortation; he t	hat	, let him
do it with simplicity; he that	, with d	ligence; he that		, W	ith cheerfulness.
Eph 4:7, 11-13 But unto	of us	is given grace acc	cording to the measure	of the gift of Christ	And he gave
some,; and s	ome,; and so	ome,	; and some,	and	;
For the	of the saints, for the work of t	he ministry, for the	e edifying of the body	of Christ: Till we al	l come in the
unity of the faith, and of the	knowledge of the Son of God	, unto a perfect ma	in, unto the measure o	f the stature of the f	ulness of Christ:
1 Pet 4:10-11 As	man hath received the gi	ft, even so ministe	r the same one to anot	her, as good steward	ls of the manifold
grace of God. If any man sp	eak, let him speak as the oracl	es of God; if any n	nan	, let him do it as	of the ability
which God giveth: that God	in all things may be glorified	through Jesus Chri	ist, to whom be praise	and dominion for e	ver & ever.
	etween miraculous (e.g. gifts o "gifts", coming from the sam				

5. What Are the Purposes of Spiritual Gifts?

5.A. Confirmation of the Apostles' testimony:

Mark 16:20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and		
with following.	Amen.	
<i>Heb 2:3-4</i> How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at t	the first began to be spoken by t	he Lord, and was
unto us by them that heard him;God also bearing	them witness, both with	and
, and with divers, and	of the Holy Ghost, acco	rding to his own will?
Is the Holy Ghost the gift, or does the Holy Ghost give the gifts?		
5.B. Confirmation of the Testimony of Christ Within the Chr	istian:	
1 Cor 1:4-7 I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God wl	hich is given you by Jesus Chris	st; That in every thing ye are
enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; Even as the	of Chris	t was confirmed in you: So
that ye come behind in no; waiting for the coming	g of our Lord Jesus Christ:	
5.C. Building up / Edification of Believers:		
1 Cor 14:3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to	,	
5.D. Exhortation / Encouragement of Believers:		
1 Cor 14:3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and _	,	
5.E. Consolation / Comfort of Believers:		
1 Cor 14:3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and ex	xhortation, and	
5.F. Convicting / Judging the Unbeliever/Unlearned:		
1 Cor 14:24 But if all prophesy, and there come in one that	, or one	, he i
of all, he is of all:		
5.G. Provide Practical Information to the Church:		
Acts 11:28 And there stood up one of them named Agabus, and	by the	that there should be
great dearth throughout all the world: which came to pass in the days of Cla	audius Caesar.	
Acts 21:10-11 And as we tarried there many days, there came down from Ju	ıdaea a certain	, named Agabus.
And when he was come unto us, he took Paul's girdle, and bound his own h	ands and feet, and said, Thus sa	nith the
, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this §	girdle, and shall deliver him into	o the hands of the Gentiles.
Does this last passage (& Is 20, Ez 4, etc) have anything to say about "drain	ma presentations" as a teaching	g method in the church?
In this section 4 above, how many purposes do we see for spiritual aifts?	(hi	nt ABCDEFG)

Some gifts are intended for believers, and some for unbelievers:

1 Cor 14:22 Wherefore tongu	ies are for a sign,	not to them that believe, but t	o them that	: but
prophesying serveth not for the	nem that believe r	not, but for them which		
There are at least 20 spiritua	l gifts listed in Ro	m 12:6-8, Eph 4:11-13, 1 Cor	12:4-10, 28, and 1 Pet 4:10-1	1, using the HCSB:
Prophecy Leading Faith Interpreting Different Languages	Service Showing Mercy Gifts of Healing Managing	Teaching Evangelism Miracles Speaking as an Oracle of God	Exhorting Message of Wisdom Distinguishing between Spirits Apostleship	Giving Message of Knowledge Speaking Different Languages Pastorship
Some of these are miraculous	; some are not; th	ney are all provided by the Spi	rit of God, for various purpose	es.
Although belief of Matt 13:58 And he did not m	sque	lch those works fr		rks, unbelief can
	Spir	itual Gifts can be '	'stirred up":	
2 Tim 1:6 Wherefore I put the putting on of my		e that thou	the gift of God, v	which is in thee by the
	C	or they can be "qu	enched":	
1 Thess 5:19-20		the Sp	irit. Despise not	
If God has granted spiritual g	ifts to us today, a	nd we do not stir them up, and	l instead we quench them, is it	any wonder we don't see

them?