



1. Introduction

- a. Spiritual gifts different from natural talents/strengths
- b. Christian given spiritual gifts in addition to human strengths
- c. New Testament gifts mention
 - Eph 4:4-7, 11-12
 - Rom 12:3-8
 - 1 Cor 12:1, 4-6, 7-11, 14, 18, 28-31

2. Understand Your Gifts

- a. Every Christian receives at least one spiritual gift
 - large in the eyes of humans
 - small in the eyes of people
 - 1 Cor 12:11, 18 It is God who decides which spiritual gift(s) each Christian receives
 - * God decides where Christian fits into body of Christ

b. Holy Spirit revealed in each Christian's life

- 1 Cor 12:7 Why spiritual gift(s)
- * gifts to be used to benefit other people

3. Minister to Each Christian

- a. Minister means to serve & help each other

- 3 b. God has shown His grace to each Christian
- God is good heavenly Father
 - all spiritual gifts are grace gifts
 - * gift(s) not earned by Christian
 - * gift(s) are free gifts

4. Christian Job to Be Good Steward

a. Steward: job title

- God's employee/servant
- Christian takes good care of God's gift(s)

b. God's grace is manifold

- manifold means various, diverse, differing
- * diamond has many facets
- * diamond each cut faces different direction
- * facet cut makes diamond sparkle & pretty

5. Use Your Gifts

a. Christian to use their spiritual gift for God's glory

- 2 Cor 4:5 Paul used his spiritual gifts
- * to preach Jesus Christ
- * Paul a bond service/slave for Christ

b. Christ the grapevine

- John 15:4-5 each Christian is just branch on grapevine
- * Christian cannot do anything without Christ

6. Some Spiritual Gifts

a. Rom 12:3-5 body of Christ

- stay humble

b. Spiritual gifts (Rom 12:6-8)

- Discernment (understanding)
- Service
- Teaching
- Encourage
- Giving
- Ruling (leaders)
- Mercy