

UNWRAPPING MY SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Spiritual Gifts Survey

Directions: Next to each statement check the appropriate number that expresses your feelings.

	(3) MUCH	(2) SOME	(1) LITTLE	(0) NOT AT ALL
1. You can easily delegate job responsibilities to others.				
2. You enjoy designing brochures and illustrating text.				
3. You enjoy fixing and repairing things.				
4. You enjoy introducing people to Jesus Christ so that they understand what a personal relationship with Jesus Christ is.				
5. You enjoy encouraging people when they are discouraged.				
6. You find it easy to make money and you enjoy giving it to the church and other Christian projects.				
7. You like helping people do things as long as you can stay behind the scene.				
8. You like to provide food and/or housing for people when they are in need.				
9. You like to pray often for other people.				
10. When you read the Bible, you see new truths and you want to explain them to others in everyday language.				
11. You enjoy getting others to reach their goals.				
12. You enjoy reaching out to the down and outers.				
13. You enjoy listening to people and gently helping them to take steps towards maturity in Christ.				
14. You like music and enjoy playing an instrument or singing to the glory of God.				
15. You like doing the little routine things around the church that no one else ever gets to do.				
16. You like helping other people learn new things about the Bible.				
17. You enjoy speaking for God when faced with situations where God's will is in doubt.				
18. You like to see through to the heart of matters and determine if people's motives are good or bad.				
19. You enjoy envisioning how much better things could be and acting on those convictions.				
20. You like to organize time, talent, and people to accomplish projects.				
21. You like working in gardens and flower beds.				
22. You like working on lawns and outside maintenance and inside repairs.				
23. You enjoy telling others how you began your relationship with Jesus Christ, and how they too can have a relationship with Christ.				
24. You like supporting people who are working at solving problems in their lives.				
25. You enjoy giving lots of time, talent or money to the church because you are so thankful for what God has done for you.				
26. You enjoy doing office work such as typing, filing, and answering phones.				
27. You enjoy having people stay with you in your home and sharing your things (cars, equipment, etc.) with them.				
28. You are very aware that your prayers are heard by God and that He acts on them.				
29. You enjoy discovering new facts and principles that help others in their spiritual growth.				
30. You enjoy knowing that people feel good about following your example and directions.				
31. You like calling on people when they are sick, or in jail, or just can't get out of the house.				
32. You like taking responsibility for the spiritual maturity of others and helping them grow.				
33. You enjoy taking part in a church, school, or community music program.				

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34. You enjoy doing fix-it jobs around the church.				
35. You enjoy teaching Bible stories and helping other people understand them better.				
36. You are glad to speak up for the ways of God in the face of worldly injustice and immorality.				
37. You enjoy an ability to test the spiritual source behind a deed or activity when others can't see it.				
38. You easily believe that with God all things are possible, even when facing extreme difficulties.				
39. You enjoy planning programs which help other Christians.				
40. You really enjoy working with your hands.				
41. You find great joy in repairing things.				
42. You look forward to opportunities to share Christ with strangers.				
43. You like to do and say things that are positive and helpful to people who are discouraged, suffering from shame, or addiction.				
44. You respond enthusiastically when confronted with real financial needs.				
45. You enjoy it when someone depends on you for practical kinds of help.				
46. You love making people feel at home when they visit a church event.				
47. You really enjoy times set aside for prayer, both in your personal devotions and other opportunities.				
48. You seem to be able to help people make sense of the Bible and how to apply their new insights.				
49. You enjoy motivating others to make positive decisions to complete projects.				
50. You enjoy visiting retirement homes and places where people are sick or disadvantaged.				
51. You enjoy the way people entrust their lives and spiritual problems to you and you protect this trust.				
52. It makes you happy to give other people enjoyment by doing something musical.				
53. You like it when people ask you to do things to help them and you do it cheerfully and humbly.				
54. You enjoy the challenge of teaching children or adults about God's love.				
55. You find it easy to take a meaningful stand for the truth when others seem to ignore it.				
56. You sense immediately what God is asking when the Bible says "test the spirits".				
57. You prefer to relate to people in terms of the potential you see in them rather than their history.				

Instructions

Place the number you selected from the Spiritual Gifts Survey next to the corresponding number in the "Value of Answers" column below. Then add up the three numbers that you have recorded across in each row, placing the sum in the "Total Column".

ROWS	VALUE OF ANSWERS			TOTAL	SPIRITUAL GIFTS
Row A	1	20	39		Administration
Row B	2	21	40		Artistic
Row C	3	22	41		Craftsmanship
Row D	4	23	42		Evangelism
Row E	5	24	43		Encouragement
Row F	6	25	44		Giving
Row G	7	26	45		Helps
Row H	8	27	46		Hospitality
Row I	9	28	47		Prayer
Row J	10	29	48		Knowledge
Row K	11	30	49		Leadership
Row L	12	31	50		Mercy
Row M	13	32	51		Shepherding
Row N	14	33	52		Music
Row O	15	34	53		Serving
Row P	16	35	54		Teaching
Row Q	17	36	55		Prophecy
Row R	18	37	56		Discernment
Row S	19	38	57		Vision (Faith)

List below and on your profile at the back of Base 3, the three categories in which you scored the highest. This will give you one indication of your spiritual gifts:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

DEFINITIONS OF THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Administration: The special ability to be a leader for the church in directing and planning its life and order. The special ability to plan and execute procedures that increase the church's organizational effectiveness. An example can be found in Acts 15.

Art/Graphic Artist: The special ability to sense what will look good or communicate in an effective way on paper, banners, in sculpture, gardens, and other visual mediums. See Exodus 31:3-11.

Craftsmanship: The special ability to create, troubleshoot, and repair the technical and hardware supports necessary for church ministries.

See 2 Chronicles 34:9-13.

Evangelism: The special ability to effectively share one's faith with non-Christians in a way that leads to a new commitment to Christ. An example is Peter in Acts 2:14-29 or Philip in Acts 8:1-7.

Encouragement: The unique ability to comfort, strengthen, and challenge those faced with significant choices or actions. An example can be found in Acts 9:26-30.

Giving: This is the ability to contribute significant material wealth, time, or talents to support ministries of Christ and the church. People with this gift seem to be able to create resources easily and contribute them unselfishly. See 2 Corinthians 8:1-7.

Helps: The special ability to assist others in practical ways that are nonetheless very necessary. Often this gift complements other ministries and makes them more effective. See Romans 16:1-2.

Hospitality: The special ability to open one's home to strangers in a way that makes them feel comfortable and to make visitors to church events feel welcome and appreciated. See Acts 16:15.

Prayer: This is the unique ability to intercede faithfully and constantly before God for the needs of people and ministries. Often these "prayer warriors" see God answering prayer in exceptional ways. Colossians 4:12.

Knowledge: This is the special ability to discover and comprehend truths one gains in Bible study -- the details, the various themes, and the message of the Bible as a whole as it applies to any situation. An example of this gift can be found in 1 Corinthians 2 and 4.

Leadership: The unique ability to motivate, equip, and direct others in the ministry of Christ. This ability is always tempered by a loving concern for the ones being led. See Acts 13:1-3 and Acts 15.

Mercy: The ability to express deep concern and loving compassion towards people who are discouraged, mistreated, or just plain down and out, even if as a result of their own choices. Mercy is the gift that finds a way to minister appropriately to people who suffer. Acts 9:36 or Romans 15:1.

Shepherding: The special ability to guide, nurture, and care for individuals and groups in the church so that they grow in their faith and spiritual maturity. This is the gift of being responsible for the welfare and unity of Christ's disciples. See 1 Peter 5:1-9.

Musical: The ability to use one's voice or an instrument to bring glory to God and communicate effectively with people. An example is found in 1 Chronicles 16:41-42.

Serving: This is the ability to meet the physical and practical needs of people in or out of the church. The gift of service meets those needs with humility and takes joy in being helpful to others. Acts 6:1-6.

Teaching: The ability to teach, train, and encourage Christians in the way of Christ with clarity and faithfulness to the Bible. John 21:15-17 or 1 Timothy 4:6, 11 and 5:17.

Prophecy: The special ability to proclaim and stand for God's truth in the face of confusion or disobedience and in a way that leads to correction, repentance or encouragement. Acts 11:27-30, 21:7-12.

Discernment: The special ability to see through to the spiritual motives in people, events and actions and to determine whether or not they are of God. See 1 John 2 and 3.

Vision or Faith: The exceptional ability to see what isn't and to believe and act as though it will be because God will do it, especially in terms of the advance of the Kingdom or the increase in the church. Acts 16:9-10, 18, 18:9-11, 27:21-26.