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Bible Study

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"A BIBLICAL LOOK AT SPIRITUAL GIFTS"

Last Sunday, I preached a sermon entitled "The Significance of Serving One Another" from 1st Corinthians 12. In the sermon we mentioned that all believers are a part of the Body of Christ and the body functions properly when all believers function in the roles they have been assigned. In tonight's lesson, let us look at Spiritual gifts and how they should function in the Body of Christ.

- I. A spiritual gift is a God given and empowered ability to serve the church in ways that benefit others.

 1st Corinthians 12:4-7
- II. Spiritual gifts are mentioned in three books of the New Testament:
 - 1. <u>1st Corinthians 12:8-10</u>

Wisdom, Knowledge, Faith, Healings, Miracles, Prophecy, Discernment, Tongues, and Interpretation.

2. Romans 12:6-8

Prophecy, Service, Teaching, Exhortation, Giving, Leadership, and Mercy.

3. *Ephesians 4:11-12*

Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors, and Teachers

III. Facts About Spiritual Gifts

1. Spiritual gifts are given by God, not manufactured by man. 1st Corinthians 12:8-11

2. Spiritual gifts are given for the common good of the body.

1st Corinthians 12:7

3. All believers do not have the same gift(s). 1st Corinthians 12:27-30

Brothers and Sisters, the physical body functions properly when all the members do their part. In like manner, the Body of Christ functions properly when all the members fulfill their spiritual gifts. Let us be the church that God designed and desired by using properly our God given gifts.