**Spiritual Gifts**

***Notes on Prophecy***

1. It is still valid and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the church today. \*\**1 Corinthians 13:8-12 and Acts 2:17-18.*
2. It is a Spirit-prompted, Spirit-sustained utterance that is rooted in a true \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \*\**1 Corinthians 14:30*, but prophecy is fallible because the prophet’s perception of the revelation.
\*\**1 Corinthians 14:32; Jeremiah 23:16-25*
3. It does not have an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that is equal with Scripture,
\*\**1 Corinthians 2:13;* [2 Timothy 3:16](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/2%20Tim%203.16)
4. The New Testament gift of prophecy is a “third category” of prophetic utterance between these categories:

	* Verbally \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, intrinsically authoritative, infallible speech spoken by the likes of Moses, Jesus and the apostles
	* The speech of false prophets spoken presumptuously, without \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and liable to condemnation \*\*Deuteronomy 18:20

	**\*\**absolutely infallible vs. false\*\****
5. Prophecy in this “third category” (the New Testament gift of prophecy):
\*\*1 Corinthians 14\*\*
	1. Regulated vs 29-33
	2. Message or report in human words vs 32
	3. Usually made to the gathered believers vs.23-24; 30-31
	4. Based on a spontaneous, personal revelation from the Holy Spirit vs 32-33; 37-40
	5. For the purpose of edification, encouragement, consolation, conviction or guidance vs 3; 19; 24-26
	6. Not necessarily free from a mixture of human error \*\*implication of the purpose of this section of the letter to Corinth\*\* vs 32
	7. Needs Assessment on the basis of the apostolic (Biblical) teaching. vs 37
	8. Needs Assessment from mature spiritual wisdom. vs. 29

**Practical Applications and Guidelines**

1. Recognize God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in giving gifts freely to whom He gives them to.
 \*\*1 Corinthians 12:11; [Hebrews 2:4](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Heb%202.4)\*\*
2. Recognize that not all will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ prophets
\*\*1 Corinthians 12:29\*\*
3. Desire & Pray \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for this gift
\*\*[1 Corinthians 14:1](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Cor%2014.1),[5](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%2014.5),[39](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%2014.39); [1 Corinthians 14:13](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Cor%2014.13)\*\*
4. Be grateful for the gifts you have been given; use them to the full; rejoice that others are different from you; and avoid all \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
\*\*[1 Corinthians 12:14-29](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Cor%2012.14-29)\*\*
5. Make love your aim in all things; realize that love is the greatest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the surest sign of God’s blessing; grow more and more toward solid, stable biblical maturity
\*\*1 Corinthians 13; [1 Corinthians 14:1](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Cor%2014.1),[12](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%2014.12),[26](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%2014.26),[37](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%2014.37); [2:14](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Corinthians%202.14)\*\*
6. Muster the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to speak out what you believe to be given to you from the Lord in gatherings designed for this less-structured expression
\*\*[1 Corinthians 14:26](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Cor%2014.26)\*\*
7. Expect that the prophecy will not be taken as a word of Scripture but as a Spirit-prompted human word to be weighed by Scripture, and by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ spiritual wisdom.
	* For a prophecy to be accepted as valid it should find an echo in the hearts of spiritually mature people.
	* It should be confirmed by biblically saturated insight.
	* And it should find a resonance in the hearts and minds of those who have the mind of Christ and are ruled by his peace.
	\*\*[1 Thessalonians 5:19-21](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/1%20Thess%205.19-21); [Colossians 1:9](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Col%201.9); [3:15](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Colossians%203.15); [Ephesians 5:15-17](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Eph%205.15-17); [Romans 12:1-2](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Rom%2012.1-2); [Philippians 1:9-10](https://biblia.com/bible/esv/Phil%201.9-10)\*\*