

# CORE C.A.U.S.E. SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT

*God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. 1 Peter 4:10*

God has given you a spiritual gift and it's his desire that you use that gift to help people. In fact, you've been given several spiritual gifts. Spiritual gifts are given for spiritual growth in you and those around you. But exactly what are spiritual gifts? And how do they work?

Spiritual gifts are different than natural abilities. When you were born you received abilities and natural talents. When you are spiritually reborn (become a Christ-follower) the Spirit of God gives you spiritual abilities or gifts. Spiritual gifts are just that; gifts. You cannot earn them. They are given as a gift to you by God.

There are a lot of different spiritual gifts. The Apostle Paul lists some of them in 1 Corinthians 12. Some of these gifts are wisdom, healing, miracles, faith, helps, leadership, teaching, and prophesy. Your spiritual gifts were not given just for you benefit, but for the benefit of others. Someone in the church needs your gifts and you need their gifts. When you don't use your gifts in the church someone gets cheated. Your gifts matter and you matter. Your gifts are needed in the church and play a vital role in the body of Christ.

One important thing to remember: Be honest in your assessment. You will find yourself saying, "If I'm a Christian I should desire or want to do that." You will be tempted to give yourself high marks in areas where you are not gifted. It's OK to give yourself low marks. It doesn't make you less spiritual. And it will help you to gain a clearer picture of the unique gifts God has placed inside of you.

Before beginning this assessment, we think it is best to listen to a message by Pastor Brad that will give you a good introduction to discovering your spiritual gifts. To listen, [click here](#). When you're ready to take the assessment stop and pray and ask God to reveal to you the gifts that he has placed inside of you, then [click here](#) to take the test.