

## Core Commitments - Service

**Text:** 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

South Orlando Baptist Church

**Topics:** Spiritual Gifts, Service, Edification

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**Supplemental Text:** Ephesians 5:18

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For the good of all...

1) Discover your \_\_\_\_\_ (1-4, 8-10)

**THE MESSAGE OF WISDOM (V. 8).** A special gift of insight and the ability to apply God's unchanging truth to changing situations.

**THE MESSAGE OF KNOWLEDGE (V. 8).** A particular gift for appreciating truths other Christians may easily miss and they are able to instruct them and share this understanding.

**FAITH (V. 9).** Exceptional faith to understand God's intentions and plans and to achieve them.

**GIFTS OF HEALING (V. 9).** 'Healing' is plural in the Greek, and may imply that healings for various kinds of illness and disease are in view.

**MIRACULOUS POWERS (V. 10).** Jesus promised miraculous powers and the early Church witnessed them (Mark 16:17f; Acts 5:1-11; 13:11).

**PROPHECY (V. 10).** To speak God's wisdom to God's people. God's message to his people is now given through the teaching and preaching of God's Word, the Old and New Testament Scriptures.

**DISTINGUISHING BETWEEN SPIRITS (V. 10).** Some have the ability to discern whether or not, for example, a particular teaching is from God or not.

**SPEAKING IN DIFFERENT KINDS OF TONGUES (v. 10).** Speech in a language the speaker does not know, for the purpose of evangelism. (Acts 2)

**INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES (V. 10).** The ability to explain or translate the tongues spoken in the congregation so that the entire group might benefit (14:13, 16, 28).

2) \_\_\_\_\_ (Serve) your church (5, 7)

A) Deacon is the Greek word that is translated as "serve."

B) We have been given our gifts for the building up of the \_\_\_\_\_ church.

3) Depend on God's \_\_\_\_\_ (6, 11)

A) The Holy Spirit supplies both the gift and the strength for kingdom service.

B) We must be filled with the Holy Spirit to use our gifts effectively. (Ephesians 5:18)

# Application Questions

- 1) Why did Paul give the Corinthians advice about spiritual gifts? (12:1)
- 2) Why can someone speaking by the Spirit of God not say, "Jesus be cursed"? (12:3)
- 3) What common element exists in the diversity of gifts, service, and working? (12:4-6)
- 4) For whose good is the manifestation of the Spirit given? (12:7)
- 5) Who determines how the gifts are distributed? (12:11)
- 6) How are we ignorant about spiritual gifts today?
- 7) What spiritual gifts have you seen used in your local church?
- 8) What happens when Christians do not use their gifts?
- 9) What person you know would be encouraged by the knowledge that God gives a spiritual gift to every Christian?
- 10) What is your spiritual gift?
- 11) If you do not know what your spiritual gift is, what can you do to find out?
- 12) How can you use your spiritual gift for the good of the people in your church?
- 13) What spiritual gifts have you seen in the lives of other Christians?
- 14) What can you learn from other Christians who faithfully use their spiritual gifts?
- 15) What Christian discouraged by failure can you challenge to use the gifts God has given him or her?
- 16) How can you use your spiritual gift this week for the benefit of others in your church?

## Places of Service:

### Ministry Teams:

- Event Ministry Team
- Building and Grounds Ministry Team
- Missions (Global Impact) Ministry Team
- Creative Fellowship Ministry Team
- Music Ministry Team
- Nominating Ministry Team
- Personnel Ministry Team
- RCA School Board Ministry Team
- School of Fine Arts Ministry Team
- Finance Ministry Team
- Trustee Ministry Team
- Deacon Ministry Team

### Ministries:

AWANA  
Baptismal Team  
Men's Ministry  
Women's Ministry  
Nursery  
War Room Prayer Team  
Puppet Team  
Senior Adults (Legends)  
Ushers  
Vacation Bible School  
Children Music Camp  
Children's STOMP Choir  
Student Ministry

### Adult Choir

Regency Christian Academy  
Night of the Arts (Dance, Choir,  
Dowels, Drama, Handbells)  
Sunday School  
Life University (Sunday Night  
Discipleship)  
Welcome Class  
Greeting Team  
Office Support  
Sound and Lighting  
Audio and Visual  
Welcome and Information Desk  
Food Pantry  
Van/Bus Drivers  
Easter Egg Hunt  
Tailgate Outreach  
Fall Festival  
Small Groups  
Photography  
Website/Social Media