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1 Corinthians 12:4

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What does it mean to take this step?

Identifying your gifts is the process of recognising the unique abilities and wiring given to you by God.

All gifts and people have a unique purpose in the Body of Christ. All need to be honoured and appreciated, and all need to be effectively functioning (**1 Corinthians 12:12, 17-28**).



What are the gifts?

In the Bible, there are multiple mentions of God enabling people with a unique gift, ability, or wiring.

There are lists of gifts mentioned in the New Testament writings.

GIFTS IN SCRIPTURE	Romans 12 – (Motivational Gifts) Prophesy, Teach, Serve, Encourage, Give, Lead & Mercy.
GIFTS GIVEN BY	These gifts are given to us by our heavenly Father when we were created – both saved and unsaved people embody motivational gifts.
GIFT IN USE	Motivational gifts are the way people are intrinsically wired – how they are motivated which determines how that person sees and does life. We can have one predominant gift or a gift mix.

There are other mentions of gifts throughout scripture, for example, a gift in Craftmanship (**Luke 14:28-30; Acts 6:1-7; 1 Corinthians 12:28**) or Intercession (**Hebrews 7:25; Colossians 1:9-12, 4:12-13; James 5:14-16**).

GIFTS IN SCRIPTURE	<p>Ephesians 4 - (Ministry Gifts)</p> <p>Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastor & Teacher.</p>
GIFTS GIVEN BY	<p>These gifts were given by Jesus to the Body of Christ when he ascended to heaven. The purpose of these gifted people is to build and equip the church and bring believers to unity and maturity.</p>
GIFT IN USE	<p>These people – the apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors, and evangelists – are themselves the gifts to the Body of Christ. It is not they have a gift, but rather they are the gift. Not every Christian is one of these gifted people.</p>

GIFTS IN SCRIPTURE	<p>1 Corinthians 12 - (Manifestation Gifts)</p> <p>Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, Faith, Healings, Miracles, Discerning of Spirits, Tongues & Interpretation of Tongues.</p>
GIFTS GIVEN BY	<p>When the Holy Spirit was poured out in Acts 2, these gifts became available to all believers. They benefit others when they are in operation, for God's power and love are manifested through them.</p>
GIFT IN USE	<p>Manifestation gifts come on people for the benefit of others. They function according to need in the Body of Christ. Some callings and ministry-gifted people (Eph 4) will move more in some gifts than others. We can eagerly desire these gifts and are encouraged to excel in them.</p>

What is the purpose of identifying our gifts?

Our gifts are not for our benefit. We want to know how God has gifted us, so we can serve others and glorify God.

1 Peter 4:10-11(ESV)

10 As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: 11 whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

(See also Ephesians 4:12, 1 Corinthians 12:7).

How do we identify our gifts?

Completing a gift questionnaire is a helpful starting point in this process. Remember that this is a tool, not necessarily the final confirmation of your gifts. A questionnaire should be used in partnership with self-reflection and discussion with others. Allowing other people to confirm the gifts they see in you is an essential part of identifying your gifts.

Ready to take this step?

1. Take our recommended questionnaire
2. Reflect and Discuss

Ask yourself these questions, and then sit down with someone you know and trust to discuss them.

- *What am I good at, or where am I naturally gifted?*
- *What energises me?*
- *What do I love, or what are my passions?*
- *What causes get me fired up or frustrate me?*

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