

The Nine Gifts Compared to the Nine Fruits

So many today seek the Gifts of the Spirit without first acquiring the fruit of the Spirit in their life. We must have the Fruit of the Spirit at work if we want God to entrust us with the Gifts of the Spirit.

Gifts of the Spirit

- 1-Word of Wisdom
- 2-Word of Knowledge
- 3-Faith
- 4-Healings
- 5-Working of Miracles
- 6-Prophecy
- 7-Discerning of Spirits
- 8-Different Kinds of Tongues
- 9-Interpretation of Tongues

Fruits of the Spirit

- 1-Love
- 2-Joy
- 3-Peace
- 4-Longsuffering
- 5-Kindness
- 6-Goodness
- 7-Faithfulness
- 8-Gentleness
- 9-Self Control

Spiritual gifts in the believers are absolutely necessary if the church is to function properly and accomplish for God in the earth what He proposed in this age. They are necessary to God and man in carrying out the will of God just as the members are necessary in the natural body.

The Gifts of the Spirit should be exercised in conjunction with the Fruit of the Spirit. The nine Fruits of the Spirit are for character, not for power. Love is the crowning grace of all this fruit and is the compelling force of God in the true exercise of the gifts. Every element of the fruit of the Spirit should be in every life as well as the nine gifts if one attains to all the fullness of God.

Gifts are given to encourage the growth of the fruit within us. The fruit must grow to maintain the integrity of the moving of the Gifts.

Gifts must always be exercised with the fruit of the Spirit, and then their manifestation will always be edifying. The possessor of the gifts, if he is compelled by love, will not manifest impatience, unkindness, envy or boastfulness. He will not be puffed up or be inflated in spirit. He will not be disorderly, act shamefully and manifest indecent acts of the many carnally traits found in Gal. 5.