

Tough Stuff: Sign Gifts

All Genuine Christians Agree That:

1) At salvation, _____ gifted – uniquely & supernaturally.

1 Cor 12:11 » All these (gifts) are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills. (ESV)

2) These spiritual gifts are for the health of the _____

1 Cor 12:7 » But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

Eph 4:16 » the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

3) Scripture lists a wide _____ of spiritual gifts

Rom 12 – prophecy, service, teaching, exhortation, giving, leading, mercy

1 Cor 12 – wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecy, discernment of spirits, tongues, interpretation of tongues, helps, administration

4) Spiritual gifts do not all _____ into _____

1 Cor 13:8 » Love never fails; but if there are gifts of prophecy, they will be done away; if there are tongues, they will cease; if there is knowledge, it will be done away.

The Three Primary Purposes Spiritual Gifts were Given:

- i) to authenticate the messenger of God's Words
- ii) to be a sign of judgment on unbelieving Jews
- iii) to edify and mature the church

The Big Question

When do they end? And which ones?

1 Cor 13:9-10 » For we know in part and we prophesy in part; ¹⁰but when the perfect comes, the partial will be done away.

There's DANGER in Talking About This...

Guiding Principles

1. Determine that the text is _____ over everything else
2. Choose to _____ Christians who differ on secondary issues
3. Don't quickly write off experiences, but don't _____ what's not in Scripture

Why We Believe Certain 'Sign' Gifts Have Ceased

Tongues

- What It Was

- How We Know It Ceased

Prophecy

- What It Was

- How We Know It Ceased

Healing

- What It Was

- How We Know It Ceased

Miracles

- What It Was

- How We Know It Ceased

*Every spiritual gift is a sign of God's love & favor towards us,
which was purchased at the cross.*