

**Old Testament Gifts**

**James 1:17 – Every good gift is from God**

**Exodus 35:31, 35 – skill given by God for his purpose**

**Exodus 36:1-2 – stirred up their hearts to work**

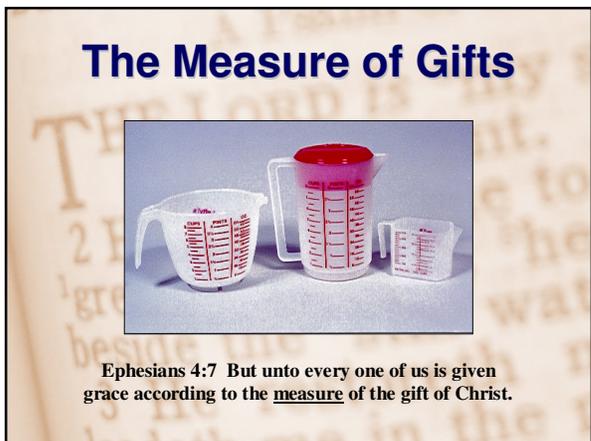
**What are the differences between human talents and spiritual gifts?**

TALENTS	GIFTS
1. Inherited from genes	1. Given by the Holy Spirit
2. Present from natural birth	2. Present from New Birth
3. God-given to all people	3. God-given to believers
4. For human activities	4. For ministry to the body
5. Used by human strength	5. Dependent on the Holy Spirit
6. Primarily natural talents	6. Ministers on spiritual level
7. Effects are temporary	7. Effects are eternal/infinite
8. Glorifies self	8. Glorifies God

**1. Each one given a gift as Christ chose to give them**

**Ephesians 4:7-10**

*7 But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. 8 This is why it says: "When he ascended on high, he led captives in his train and gave gifts to men." 9 (What does "he ascended" mean except that he also descended to the lower, earthly regions? 10 He who descended is the very one who ascended higher than all the heavens, in order to fill the whole universe.)*



**2. He gave gifted spiritual leaders to train believers**

**Ephesians 4:11**

And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

(see Romans 12 and 1 Corinthians 12)

**3. To make us complete and able to minister to one another**

**Ephesians 4:12**

For the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ;

**4. So that we might be mature, unified, like Christ**

**Ephesians 4:13-14**

13. until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. 14. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming.

**5. Every part speaking truth, loving, growing, building up**

**Ephesians 4:15-16**

15. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

16. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

**Gifts by Category**

Leadership Gifts "Offices" <i>praxis</i> <b>Work/Calling</b> <i>Leadership Skills</i>	Miraculous Gifts "Manifestations" <i>phanerosis</i> <b>Flashings</b> <i>Divine Anointings</i>	Body Life Gifts "Operations" <i>energema</i> <b>Energized gifts</b> <i>People Oriented Skills</i>	Special Skill Gifts "Administrations" <i>diakonia</i> <b>Service</b> <i>Task Oriented</i>
Apostles	Prophetic Words	Teach - disciple	Celibacy
Prophets	Prophet foretellers	Shepherd - care giver	Artistry/crafts
Pastors	Faith	Evangelism	Musical Instruments
Evangelists	Miracles	Evangelist	Singers
Teachers	Healings	Exhortation	Song Leaders
Bishops - overseers	Tongues	Giving	Song Writers
Elders	Interp. of Tongues	Mercy	Poetry
Deacons	Discernment of Sp	Hospitality	Writers
Ruling	Casting out demons	Helps	Accountants
Organizing	Visions & Dreams	Serving	Hunters
Governing	Intrep. Vision/Dreams	Intercession	Strength-athletes
Wisdom	Word of Knowledge	Apologists	Drama
Knowledge	Word of Wisdom	Encouragers	Humor - joy

**Conclusion 1**

**But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.**

**- 2 Corinthians 4:7**

## Conclusion 2

To the intent that now unto  
the principalities and powers  
in heavenly *places* might be  
known by the church the  
manifold wisdom of God,

Ephesians 3:10

## Conclusion 3

He gave gifts to you and me that  
we might share in his triumph  
over all the powers of the enemy.

Every gift is the power of Christ  
to do what you could not do in  
the flesh.