

Spiritual Gifts

Last week we saw that:

Every person has a spiritual gift
Each gift is for the building up of
the body

Bible Reading 1 Cor 12:1, 4-11

- Paul wants to church to understand the function and purpose of the gifts
- The gifts are given by the Father, Son and Holy Spirit



The Gifts

- Message of wisdom - brings the wisdom of God into a situation. This results in a calm peaceful response
- Word of knowledge - God gives knowledge that would otherwise not be known



The Gifts

- The gift of faith - we are all called to have faith, but this gift enables a person to believe God for something that does not seem likely or possible
- Gifts of healings - This is the ability to bring emotional, physical and spiritual healing
- Working of miracles - a miracle is something that cannot be explained in natural terms. It is God breaking through.



The Gifts

- Discerning of spirits - there are three uses of the word 'spirit'

The spirit of a man - the heart of the person

An evil spirit - desires to sow discord, fear, confusion

The Holy Spirit - brings holiness, peace, love

The person with this gift is able to discern the motivation and the source of an action or proposal.