Lesson #

Pneumatology-The Gifts of the Holy Ghost

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\* In this lesson we will learn about the “Gifts of the Holy Ghost.” First, we need to review briefly what we have said regarding the differences between the *“Gifts”*of the Holy Ghost and the *“Fruit”* of the Holy Ghost. The *“Fruit”* of the Holy Ghost is the *working out* of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believer those fruits, or “bunches of grapes” that glorify God the Father.

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth m \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_. Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, except it abide in the vine; n \_ m \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ y \_, except y \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ m \_. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ m \_, and \_ i \_ h \_ \_, the same b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_

 m \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_: for w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ ye can d \_ n \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***John 15:1-5***

\* The Christian should be a fruit-bearing Christian, for when he bears fruit, he honors God. When he bears “more fruit” he honors God more, and Christ said the Father is glorified if “ye bear much fruit.”

“Herein i \_ m \_ F \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, that y \_ b \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_; so shall ye be my disciples.” ***John 15:8***

\* There is no doubt that the instrument the Holy Ghost uses to bring forth fruit in the life of a Christian is the word of God.

“It i \_ t \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ q \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_; the flesh profiteth nothing: the w \_ \_ \_ \_

t \_ \_ \_ I s \_ \_ \_ \_ unto you, t \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and t \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_.” ***John 6:63***

\* When the Lord wanted to talk about a seed-bearing fruit, He said the seed cannot bear fruit if it “abideth alone.” ***John 12:24*** The kernel of corn lying on your kitchen shelf will never blossom into a stalk. If you put it in the ground and let it die, it will bring forth much fruit. One kernel will produce one-thousand. This seed is called the word of God.

“Now the parable is this: T \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ is t \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ o \_ G \_ \_.” ***Luke 8:11***

\* Jesus Christ spoke the parable of the sower and the seed. He said that the sower goes along, puts that seed down, and some of the seed bears fruit, and some of it doesn’t. This is vital for the understanding of the child of God who is interested in bearing fruit for the glory of God, and honoring and glorifying God the Father, because God is not glorified and honored by some fool standing up and screaming “mumbojumbo-hostalashondi-untieabowtie-blubberdy-blabberdy blibber.”***1 Corinthians 14:9***

\* The Bible teaches nothing of the kind *anywhere.* God is glorified in the life of the Christian when he brings forth “much fruit,” and the fruit comes from a seed; the seed is called the “**word** of God,” ***not the “gifts of the Holy Ghost****.”* As a matter of fact, in the parable of the sower and the seed, *all the fruit came from the seed, and the seed is said to be “****the word of God****.”* So, when there is Bible rejection, there is *counterfeit fruit*, and there are *counterfeit gifts*.

Corrupt seed = Corrupt fruit and Corrupt gifts. Counterfeit seed = Counterfeit fruit and Counterfeit gifts. A lot of the counterfeiting of the Gifts of the Holy Ghost can be found in the charismatic movements of today. When someone is counterfeiting a gift of the Holy Ghost, they are trying to place the so-called gift above the authority of the word of God (seed). Someone that truly bears authentic gifts of God the Holy Ghost will produce fruit that **glorifies God, *not themselves.***

**Truth:** The Lord wants the subject of “gifts” in the Scriptures to be known and understood.

“Now concerning s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_, brethren, I w \_ \_ \_ \_ n \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ y \_ \_

i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***1 Corinthians 12:1***

**Truth:** All of the gifts are sovereignly given. (The Holy Ghost decides who gets what.)

“But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ to

e \_ \_ \_ \_ man s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ as h \_ w \_ \_ \_.” ***1 Corinthians 12:11***

“Now ye are the body of Christ, and members i \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***1 Corinthians 12:27***

**Truth:** Every person that is saved and part of the body of Christ has been given at least one gift.

**Truth:** The gifts given out by God the Holy Ghost are for the purpose of profiting, bearing spiritual fruit.

“But the manifestation of the Spirit i \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ e \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ to p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***1 Corinthians 12:7***

**Truth:** The spiritual fruit that will be brought about from the spiritual gifts will profit in at least one of three categories, if not all of them. You will notice there is nothing worldly mentioned.

“For the p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, for the w \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, for the

e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ o \_ C \_ \_ \_ \_ \_:” ***Ephesians 4:12***

**Truth:** Even though the gifts differ, they are all given by “one Spirit,” God the Holy Ghost.

“Now there are d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of gifts, but t \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ S \_ \_ \_ \_ \_.” ***1 Corinthians 12:4***

“The Gifts” What are they, and where are they found?”

\* Remember now, that these gifts mentioned in the Scriptures are meant to profit in a “spiritual manner” in the areas of “perfecting,” “work” and “edifying.” In no way, shape or form can the gifts from the Holy Ghost be used in a fleshly way to produce fleshly fruit, even if it appears religious. Here are the gifts as given in the Bible.

* + 1 Corinthians 12:8 w \_ \_ \_ o \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_**active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:8 w \_ \_ \_ o \_ k \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:9 f \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:9 g \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **Not-active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:10 w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **Not-active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:10 p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:10 d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:10 d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ k \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **Not-active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:10 i \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **Not-active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:28 h \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 12:28 g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Ephesians 4:11 a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **Not-active**
	+ Ephesians 4:11 p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Ephesians 4:11 e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Ephesians 4:11 p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Ephesians 4:11 t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Romans 12:7 m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Romans 12:8 e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Romans 12:8 g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Romans 12:8 r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ Romans 12:8 s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 13:2 u \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 13:3 m \_ \_t \_ \_dom (body to be burned.) **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 13:13 h \_ \_ \_ **active**
	+ 1 Corinthians 13:13 c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ **active**

**Truth:** Some of the gifts are *“attributes and things”* and some of them are *“people.”*

**Truth:** It is the Lords will for Christians to want spiritual gifts and are encouraged to desire the best gifts.



“But c \_ \_ \_ \_ e \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the b \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_: and yet shew I unto you a more

excellent way.”***1 Corinthians 12:31***

“Follow after charity, and d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_, but rather that ye may prophesy.”***1 Corinthians 14:1***

**Truth:** There is an order set by the Lord concerning the gifts that the Lord sets in the church.

“And God hath set some in the church, f \_ \_ \_ \_ apostles, s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ prophets,

t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ teachers, a \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ miracles, t \_ \_ \_ gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.” ***1 Corinthians 12:28***

**Truth:** Something in the “order of gifts” for us to note is that the Lord, in the places that He mentions spiritual gifts places the “tongues” gift *last*. Interesting that the people that praise the gift of tongues would choose the lowest ranking gift to brag about, don’t you think? Hmmm! The Lord says that if anybody wants to boast themselves of a gift that they will first agree with the word of God.

“If a \_ \_ m \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ b \_ a prophet, or spiritual, l \_ \_ h \_ \_

a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ that the t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_that \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ unto you a \_ \_ the commandments of the Lord.” ***1 Corinthians 14:37***

If a person elevates a gift above the word of God, he’s a fakir.

“Whoso b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ of a f \_ \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ is like clouds and wind without rain.” ***Proverbs 25:14***

**Truth:** All of the gifts for today are intended for developing maturity in the believer.

“That we henceforth b \_ n \_ m \_ \_ \_ children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ in love, m \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ u \_ into him i \_ a \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, which is the head, even Christ:” ***Ephesians 4:14, 15***

Are all the gifts still active today?

\* One topic that must be understood when it comes to the gifts of the Holy Ghost is the matter of whether or not all of the gifts mentioned in the Scriptures are valid today and indeed still gifts that the Holy Ghost is giving out. A very simple way to answer this matter is to ask a question concerning the gifts. “Was the gift a sign for the Jews (Israel)?” It is very important to remember when it comes to gifts that the Jews (Israel), in order to believe something, required a sign to be given to prove its validity. So, the Lord gave certain gifts at certain times as gifts to prove to the “Jews” (Israel) that it was Him Himself.

“For the J \_ \_ \_ r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a s \_ \_ \_, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:” ***1 Corinthians 1:22***

\* We find then that the apostolic age (the times of the apostles) is gone, and of course, the gifts were given at different times for different things. When the body of Christ was first started in the Acts of the Apostles and came into being as a living organism, God had apostles minister to it. Later on, all the apostles died out. That is perfectly apparent by the fact that no replacement is chosen for James when he is killed. There was a replacement for Judas in ***Acts 1***, but there was none for James in ***Acts 12***. And when the apostles died out, the gifts with which the apostles were equipped (the apostolic signs) went out with them. Paul said.

“Truly the s \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ a \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ were w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_ y \_ \_ in all

patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.” ***2 Corinthians 12:12***

\* Paul says that many of the gifts are still active in the body of Christ and the gifts must be used, however these gifts have nothing to do with signs given to the Jews (Israel).

“For I would that all men were even as I myself. But e \_ \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ h \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

g \_ \_ \_ of God, one after t \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, and another a \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_.” ***1 Corinthians 7:7***

“N \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ n \_ \_ t \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ that is i \_ t \_ \_ \_, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.” ***1 Timothy 4:14***

“Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou s \_ \_ \_ u \_ t \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ o \_ G \_ \_, which is i \_

t \_ \_ \_ by the putting on of my hands.” ***2 Timothy 1:6***

\* We are not told that *Christians require a sign*. Also, we are told that the gift (sign) of tongues is not a sign to a *believer*, but only to an *unbeliever.*

“Wherefore tongues are f \_ \_ a s \_ \_ \_, n \_ \_ t \_ them t \_ \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, but t \_ t \_ \_ \_ that

 b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ n \_ \_: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.” ***1 Corinthians 14:22***

\* Gifts such as tongues were given to the “apostolic church” during the “apostolic times” for a “sign” to a man who didn’t believe. All the times (3 times in Acts) that tongues were used in the Bible, they spoke in a foreign language where someone who already spoke the language was present to understand what was being said, there were unbelieving Jews and Jewish proselytes present, and it was being given as a sign to a Jew. The modern “tongues speaking” that goes on today are a bunch of non-Scriptural, fakes, glorifying humanism. Now that is what the Bible “says.”

**Truth:** The Holy Ghosts gifts are “counterfeited by Satan and his ministers.

“For such are f \_ \_ \_ \_ apostles, d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ workers, t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed

into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if h \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.”

***2 Corinthians 11:13-15***

**Truth:** Every gift of the Holy Ghost comes from God.

“E \_ \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ and e \_ \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ i \_ f \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ \_ \_, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.” ***James 1:17***

**Truth:** Gifts from The Holy Ghost cannot be bought or worked for, they are gifts.

“And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles’ hands the Holy Ghost was given, he o \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_, Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. But Peter said unto him, T \_ \_ m \_ \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

w \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_, b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ thou h \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ that the gift of God m \_ \_ b \_

 p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ with money.” ***Acts 8:18-20***

As we bring this lesson to an end, we cannot go without mentioning what the Apostle Paul stressed as being the most important part of any gift given by the Holy Ghost, bar none. That is **“Charity!”** Notice it did not say “*love*.” It said “**Charity**.” Charity is what the Scriptures uses to describe The Lord Jesus Christ's love. It is in no way like, nor does it resemble the worlds kind of love. Paul said any so-called gift that does not have abiding in it this “Charity” (Christ’s love) is not worth having or mentioning. A true Holy Ghost given *gift* will bear Jesus Christ's love (Charity) in and throughout it. ***1 Corinthians 13:1-13***

***The Gifts of the Holy Ghost***