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## The Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Without any doubt, the charismatic movement has grown over the last years by leaps and bounds. Almost weekly there are seminars and conferences held. Most all of them advertise that signs, wonders and miracles will occur at these meetings. People flock to these conferences looking for something – what? They are looking for the manifestation of God’s gifts in a supernatural way. People are truly seeking to experience the reality of God in a supernatural way. What about the myriad of people who cannot afford to go to these conferences? The fact is, God is willing to pour out His gifts to His people right where they are if they will just ask. God promises us:

**“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.” Hebrews 11:6**

Here is the key that is so often missed. *If we will seek God diligently, we will find Him.* We don’t have to go to an expensive conference to find Him, we can diligently seek Him in our own home and in our every day life.

Unfortunately, this running and seeking for signs and miracles has caused much error to develop in the minds of Christians concerning the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It is our desire to share some sound scriptural teaching with you to help you avoid these errors.

We do believe we are starting into a spiritual renewal to restore what the early church had. It says in Joel 2:28 that God Himself will pour His Spirit out. And that All Flesh will receive it. However, such a time is fraught with many dangers as Satan will move to deceive and try to bring error into the Body of Christ. This is going to be a time of decision as to whether we are being taught rightly or wrongly. We must KNOW God’s Word to be able to do this.

**“And they shall teach My people the difference between the holy and the unholy, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.” Ezekiel 44:23**

Today one of the misunderstandings the gifts of the Holy and how they are to used. Over the next months, I, Daniel, want to address the contro- versy over the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Let’s take a close look at what Paul said:

greatest involves Spirit, be few



***“Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant:” 1 Corinthians 12:1***

Paul did not want people to misunderstand the gifts. When we were “gentiles,” that is, unbelievers, we were carried away by false things. He does not want us to fall into the same sort of error now that we are Christians.

***“You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit” 1 Corinthians 12:2-3***

I am speaking to you that Jesus Christ IS God, Son of the Almighty God the Father. Jesus died on the cross for our sins. It is through His death that we have a comforter called the Holy Spirit who is also very God. Let us now return back to 1 Corinthians 12.

Paul said: ***“There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all.” 1 Corinthians 12:4-6***

We are unfortunately separating the Body of Christ by placing one spiritual gift higher than another. This is not what God intended. For ALL make up one body – that is the Body of Christ. Over the last 50 years the Church has tried to divide the 5-fold ministry. They have pushed the teachers and some of the other (what they consider to be less important) gifts aside. They are demanding that everyone operate in the same gift, when God’s word is clear that the Holy Spirit gives His gifts only as He chooses. But God is changing that. Once and for all He wants His body to come together as a whole! The battle we are about to enter into against the enemy of our God needs every weapon, every soldier, every knee that can bow to be bowed, and every voice that can be raised, to be raised in prayer and praise.

In this newsletter I want to start teaching you about the *word of wisdom*.

***“For one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit.” 1 Corinthians 12:8***

# *The Word of Wisdom*

## *What It Is Not*

### **1. It is not learned by the natural mind.**

The *word of wisdom* is not learned by the natural mind. What I mean by that is, it does not originate in our natural mind. It cannot be obtained through education, training methods, or natural wisdom. A man without the Holy Spirit may use methods which prove many times both helpful and harmful. What works great in one situation may not work at all in another, especially when it comes to churches. Many pastors and church leaders, even down to the workers, have problems that no one but God can help them with. No man knows the solution. Too many times men go to men for answers when they should be going to God. Conferences and seminars

are fun to go to, but they are not to be confused with the spiritual gift of the *word of wisdom*. *A word of wisdom originates with God alone, and then is given to a man.*

**2. It is not spiritual insight.** This gift is not the ability to give spiritual insight. One may be mature in the Lord’s Word and have many years of experience in rightly dividing the Word of Truth, and yet not have this supernatural spiritual gift. There is a vast difference between spiritual fruit and spiritual gifts. The fruit of the Spirit is something one must work at and be dedicated to obtaining through the discipline of his flesh. *The gifts of the Holy Spirit are manifested as the Holy Spirit wills. They do not originate with man, nor are under his control.*

“But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.” 1 Corinthians 12:11

3. **It is not psychology.** The supernatural gift of the *word of wisdom* is not something one learns in a class room studying the natural tendencies of mankind. It is not a science of the mind. *It is not any earthly wisdom. It is supernaturally given.*
4. **It is not simple wisdom.** This gift is not simple wisdom, which every Christian gains from studying God’s Word. Solomon had wisdom from God, but at times he received a special *word of wisdom* or a special revelation for a special problem. A young Christian may have at times the revelation gift of the *word of wisdom* and otherwise have very little Biblical wisdom because of a lack of spiritual maturity.
5. **It is not all of God’s wisdom.** This gift is the gift of a *word of wisdom*, it is not the gift of wisdom. *It is a specific word for a specific situation or problem.* God speaks to us giving us a word or a portion of His wisdom. He doesn’t give us the whole storehouse of His wisdom at one time.
6. **It is not just for preachers and church officials.** This gift is not just for those who are preachers, teachers and church officials or special workers in the Church. *It is a gift for all who have received the Holy Spirit and who are faced with a problem beyond their understanding.*
7. **It is not a guess or a new idea.** This gift is not just a guess or a new idea which accidentally pops into ones head. These kinds of things will be experienced by the lost people who don’t have the Holy spirit.

## What it is.

1. **Definition** — Just as wisdom is knowledge rightly applied, so the spiritual gift of the *word of wisdom* is the supernatural ability to apply knowledge already possessed. It makes use of knowledge a person already has, that may have been obtained through Bible study, or education in natural things. It is knowledge rightly applied to a specific situation by the Holy Spirit. It is God showing the what, why, where, when, and how, of a problem. It is the supernatural solution to trouble. *In order to increase the working of the Holy Spirit to give words of wisdom in you life, you need to increase both your knowledge of scripture and your education in your area of work.*
2. **Application** — It is something every mother needs in her home, as she cannot handle every child alike. It is something every pastor, teacher, and church worker needs most of the time since they cannot handle every member alike. It is something every merchant should have at times, as all customers will not respond to the same kind of treatment. That great man of faith, Smith Wigglesworth, had this to say about the *word of wisdom*:

“The gift of the word of wisdom is necessary in many instances. For example, when you want to build another church building, maybe larger than the one you are in, so that everybody can speak and be heard without any trouble, a word of wisdom is needed regarding how to build the place for God’s service.

A word of wisdom is necessary when you are faced with a choice and it is difficult for you to know in what direction to go. That word can come to you in a moment and prepare you for the right way.

The gift of the word of wisdom is meant for a needy hour when you are under great stress concerning some business transaction; provided it is a godly transaction, you can ask God what to do and you will receive wisdom along two lines.

It may come through the gift of the word of wisdom, or it may come forth just because the power of the Holy Spirit is upon you.” (Smith Wigglesworth on Spiritual Gifts, p. 67)

**3. Methods** — It can come by visions, dreams, a direct revelation to your mind, a still small voice, or an audible one. God speaks in many ways. It is vitally important that the Christian work diligently to develop his ability to hear the Lord’s voice so that the Lord can speak to him and give him a *word of wisdom* in his time of need. (See the November, 2003, newsletter on *How To Learn To Hear God Speak To You*, available on our web site at [www.harvestwarriors.com](http://www.harvestwarriors.com) under the “Newsletter Archives” link.) *If you are dependant on other people to hear from the Lord for you, then you will often be in danger of receiving faulty words of wisdom, as many times people will speak from their own natural wisdom instead of directly receiving wisdom from God.*

**4. Purpose** — It builds and brings revivals, and gives guidance to God’s people.

### *Biblical Examples*

#### **1. King Solomon**

“Now two women who were harlots came to the king, and stood before him. And one woman said, ‘O my lord, this woman and I dwell in the same house; and I gave birth while she was in the house. Then it happened, the third day after I had given birth, that this woman also gave birth. And we were together; no one was with us in the house, except the two of us in the house. And this woman’s son died in the night, because she lay on him. So she arose in the middle of the night and took my son from my side, while your maidservant slept, and laid him in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom. And when I rose in the morning to nurse my son, there he was, dead. But when I had examined him in the morning, indeed, he was not my son whom I had born.’ Then the other woman said, ‘No! but the living one is my son, and the dead one is your son.’ And the first woman said, ‘No! But the dead one is your son, and the living one is my son.’ Thus they spoke before the king. And the king

said, ‘The one says, ‘This is my son, who lives, and your son is the dead one’; and the other says, ‘No! But your son is the dead one, and my son is the living one.’ Then the king said, ‘Bring me a sword.’ So they brought a sword before the king. And the king said, ‘Divide the living child in two, and give half to one, and half to the other.’ Then the woman whose son was living spoke to the king, for she yearned with compassion for her son; and she said, ‘O my lord, give her the living child, and by no means kill him!’ but the other said, ‘Let him be neither mine nor yours, but divide him.’ So the king answered and said, ‘Give the first woman the living child, and by no means kill him; she is his mother.’” 1 Kings 3:16-27

In this scripture Solomon was faced with a problem when two women both claimed the same live baby after one had been smothered to death during the night. The Spirit of God showed Solomon to call for a sword. He started to divide the live baby between the two women when one of them started to cry out for the baby’s life. Solomon then knew that this woman was the baby’s rightful mother. Solomon had just prayed and asked for wisdom from the Lord, which was then given by the Holy Spirit for that specific problem. It might not have worked in a similar case if both women loved the baby, or if both were equally insensitive. But God knew the love in the true mother’s heart and gave the spiritual gift of a word of wisdom to Solomon.

#### **2. Elisha**

“But Jehosaphat said, ‘Is there no prophet of the Lord here, that we may inquire of the Lord by him?’ So one of the servants of the king of Israel answered and said, ‘Elisha the son of Shaphat is here, who poured water on the hands of Elijah. And Jehosaphat said, ‘The word of the Lord is with him.’” 2 Kings 3:11-12

King Jehosaphat was caught in a situation where he and his army, and two other kings and their armies were without water. They were in a losing situation and did not know what to do. Jehosaphat knew he needed supernatural wisdom from the Lord to deal with the situation. The other two kings were ready to give up and lose the up coming battle, but Jehosaphat knew that wisdom from the Lord could change the whole situation. So, he had to look for someone in Israel who was known to receive such words of wisdom from the Lord. They sought out Elisha. At first, Elisha didn’t have

the answer either. But he sought the Lord, and then received a word of wisdom from the Lord. The answer was for the army to dig trenches in a valley that had no water. That made no sense to the natural mind, but God knew that He intended to do a miracle. When Jehosaphat and his army obeyed and dug the trenches, overnight the Lord miraculously filled all of them with water. The armies and their animals then had plenty to drink, and went on to win the war. *This teaches us not only do certain problems need a special word of wisdom from the Lord, but that we must act on that word in obedience before the solution to the problem manifests.*

### 3. Paul

Paul was given a word of wisdom from the Holy Spirit that he was supposed to go to Rome (Acts 19:21), but he did not know when, why, or how. Later, the Holy Spirit gave him a word of wisdom one night and told Paul why he was to go (Acts

23:11). In a court room before Agrippa and Festus the Holy spirit gave Paul another word of wisdom and showed him the how and when he was supposed to go (Acts 23:31). Even though Paul was taken to Rome as a prisoner, during the trip at sea, once again the Spirit of God gave Paul another word of wisdom to prevent the death of all those on board the ship as they were about to sink. Many times in Paul's life, the Lord guided him by words of wisdom. Often, as in this case, obedience came first, then the solution to the problem. See Acts 27:20-44.

Over the next several months, we will continue to teach on the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It is absolutely essential that God's people have a sound scriptural knowledge of these gifts and their functions. Every one of the gifts will be needed in the difficult days ahead. God never leaves His people without the guidance and provisions they need to deal with any situation.

## ***Rebecca's Upcoming Speaking Engagements***

Many people have been asking for my itinerary for the rest of this year. Here it is. I am not giving the details, only the places and the dates. I will be sending out letters of notification to those of you living in nearby states with the details, and closer to the time the details will be posted on our web site.

April 18-23 San Juan, Puerto Rico

April 25-30 St Kitts

May 23-28 San Diego, CA

May 30-June 3 Littlefield, TX (this is about 40 miles out of Lubbock)

June 19-25 Miramar, FL

July 13-17 LaPorte, IN

July 19-22 Niles, MI

July 27-30 Winston-Salem, NC (We will be doing a baptismal service in the river on Sat. the 30<sup>th</sup>)

Aug. 18-22 Baltimore, MD

Aug. 24-28 Queens Village, NY

Sept. 19-Oct. 1 Brazil, South America

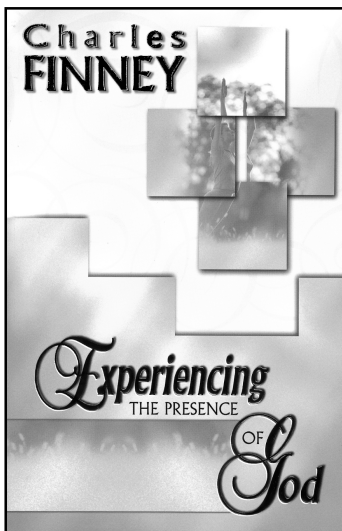
Oct. 13-16 Houston, TX

Oct. 27-30 Miami, FL

# A Word From Rebecca

I hear from so many Christians who complain that they are not getting fed at their churches. It is my opinion that each one of us is responsible to feed ourselves from God's word. Yes, it is important for us to fellowship with each other, but it is equally important that we know how to grow in the Lord even if we don't have anyone to take us by the hand and teach us. Most of my own life, I have had to feed myself, and find answers from the Lord by myself. I have been greatly aided in doing this through books. God is so good, we live in a age when many wonderful books are available to us to read. I tend to read the older authors who have really written the "meat" of God's word. I don't often have the space, but I want to tell you about a few of the books that have been so helpful to me. I strongly urge you to read them yourself.

I often teach that the most difficult battle any Christian will have is to maintain a meaningful and daily quiet time to grow and learn from the Lord. If you will get any one of the following books and read one or two chapters per day in your quiet time, you will be amazed at how much you will grow and be helped and challenged in your walk with the Lord.

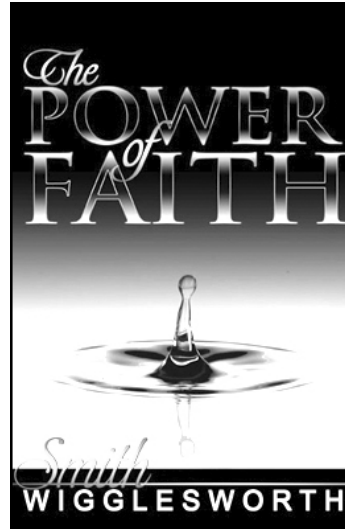


*Experiencing The Presence of God*, by Charles Finney (\$18 plus \$5 shipping)

This one book has had me on my knees more times than I can count! I have just recently read through it in my own quiet times. Charles Finney was an attorney, and a great man of God who literally changed England and America

by bringing revivals to countless cities. His book is not light reading. Some chapters you are going to

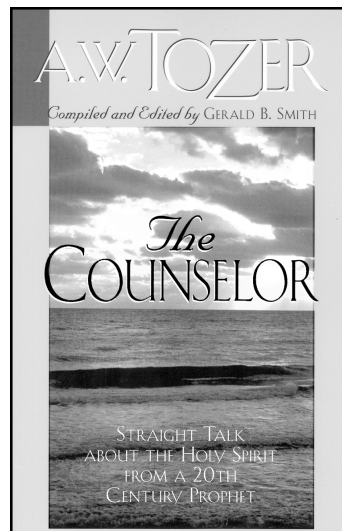
have to stop and pray and ask the Holy Spirit to help you understand exactly what he is saying. But I guarantee, you will grow as you work through it. It is, one of the best books I have ever read.



*The Power of Faith*, by Smith Wigglesworth (\$18 plus \$5 shipping)

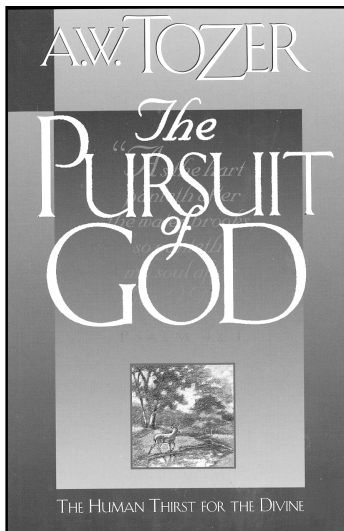
**“Lord, today I want Your Word to be a light within me, a flame of fire burning within my bones, so intensely that it becomes a reality not just to me, but to everyone around me.”** This is a quote from this book that I have typed up and placed over my computer. It is a prayer that I pray every day.

This is another “meat of the word” book which is wonderful reading a chapter a day in your quiet time. Smith Wigglesworth is agreed by all to be one of the great men of faith to walk the earth. His materials are well worth the reading.



*The Counselor*, by A.W. Tozer (\$13 plus \$5 for shipping – may combine shipping with one other book)

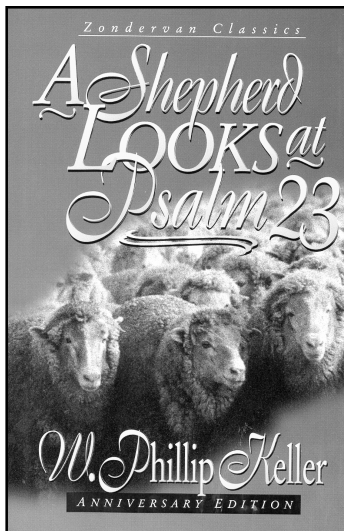
A.W. Tozer is one of the authors who has influenced my spiritual growth the most. I consider this book to be a *definitive study* of the Holy Spirit. It is a must read for every Christian who is serious about operating in the power of the Holy Spirit in his life.



*The Pursuit of God*, by A.W. Tozer (\$15 plus \$5 for shipping – may combine shipping with one other book)

This one book spurred me on to a personal experience and relationship with God like nothing else has in my entire life. When I first started to read it, it upset me so much that I threw it over onto the

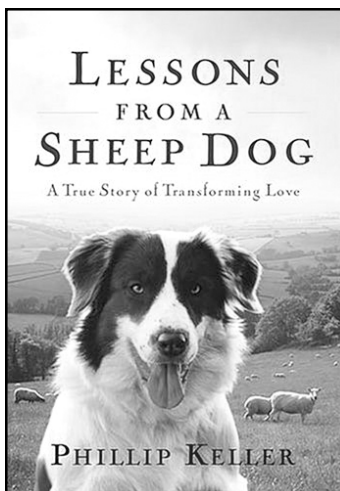
floor in the corner of my bedroom, and there it lay for two weeks until the Lord convicted me that I must pick it up and finish it. It will shake you up and challenge you. I dare you to read it!



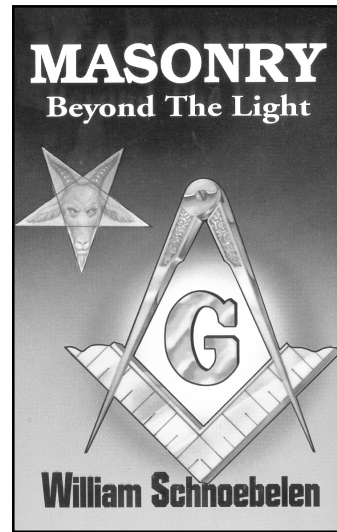
*A Shepherd Looks At Psalm 23 and Lessons From A Sheep Dog*, by Phillip Keller (\$16 and \$10, both can ship together for \$5)

I have given away literally hundreds of these two books! Do you know someone who is hurting and going through a difficult time? These two books will bring comfort like nothing

else I have ever read. They are wonderful for every Christian, and I have found that are able to enjoy them equally with adults, although you may have to read the books to them if they are above their reading level. Phillip Keller was, for many years, a shepherd. Unfortunately, since his death, his books have



been hard to find, but now some of them are coming back. He has long been one of my most favorite authors.



*Masonry, Beyond the Light*, by William Schnoebelen (\$13 plus \$5 for shipping, may combine with one other book)

I have had so many people ask me for a good book on Masonry. For years there really hasn't been one available. Now there is. I just finished reading this one a month

ago. I am totally impressed with it. It is written in love, not harshly, but with such complete documentation that no one can deny that what the author is saying is true. It is perfect to give to friends or relatives who are involved in Masonry and still believe (in error) that they can be a Christian at the same time. You need to read it to, so that you will understand the snares of Masonry. He also fully explains the Eastern Star, the Rainbow Girls, Jobs Daughters and the boy's DeMolay clubs.

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We deeply appreciate those of you who do support us. As you send your gifts, we lay our hands on and pray over each one, asking the Lord to richly bless the sender in return. Please send your offering in the enclosed envelope.

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