

SG #6 – 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-11; 27-31 “THE POWER OF CLOSENESS TO GOD AND COMMUNITY”

Recently across story homeless woman Oregon desp died. Didn't know 884K unclaimed inheritance waiting acct collect – didn't know – HOW DIFF PUBLICASSETSREC

- The thought of not POSSESSING riches might belong to you. UHH BOTHER Dream Different ur life might be...DO...SPIRITUALLY UNCOLLECTED RICHES

o Lady – didn't know what she didn't know _ GIFTS AND YOU...

o Inheritance. Blessed every sp. Received a gift – THIS LIST INCLUDED

- CHARISMATIC/POWER/SIGN - CEASED APOSTOLIC AGE/CANONIZATION.

Hebrews 2:3 It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his will.

- Chaos in Corinth – General Assembly, Individual Believers (USING 4 SELF)

1 Cor 14 What then, brothers? When you come together, each one has a hymn, a lesson, a revelation, a tongue, or an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up.

The fear of chaos is not a reason to avoid charismatic gifts. It's a reason to understand them and use them wisely.

Christians don't follow miraculous signs. But miraculous signs should follow Christians.

- WE TEACH THE BIBLE: but a robust spirit-filled church – exp fullness gifts

- NOT IF WE R JUST CONSUMERS – CHECKING BOX – UNEMPOWERED

There's a power to closeness – **DON'T BE A DISTANT DISCIPLE**

1 Corinthians 14:1 Earnestly desire the spiritual gifts.

- Cruising on our couch, livin 4 r comfort, playing XBOX, stickin God in box - NAH

CLOSE 2 GOD IN COMMUNITY...SOMEBODY SAY COMMUNITY... STRONG CHURCH

GOD WILL.... GIVE SPOKEN

1. **Word of Wisdom:** Word (*singular*) Supernaturally revealed wisdom that expresses God's perspective concerning a particular situation and how He desires it to be handled. **NOT HUMAN GENIUS – STEPHEN / APOSTLES 7 – w/Gods ppl**

2. **Word of Knowledge:** Word (*singular*) Supernaturally revealed knowledge that expresses God's omniscience concerning a particular situation that would otherwise be unknown to the speaker.

- Woman at the Well... you have had that SUNDAY MORNING – NARKED ON

o **Not produce guilt and shame but conviction and repentance**

Romans 2:4 Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

3. **Various Kinds of Tongues:** Speaking an otherwise unlearned/unknown language.

Chaos in Corinth – 1 Corinthians 14

- Biblical usage: Pentecost sign to unsaved / Cornelius affirmation / PRIVATE FOR PRAYER / + Interpretation = Edification

- False Considerations: not only sign of baptism of Spirit / True Salvation

4. **Interpretation of Tongues:** Supernatural ability to interpret an unknown language

- To God: Interpretation is not to man (thus saith the LORD)

ACTION

5. **Gifts of Healing:** Not **the** gift of healing, The supernatural ability to serve as a human instrument through whom God cures illnesses and restores health as He desires and according to His will.

- Not an 'on command gift' – **tongues, teaching, leadership**

- AIDS, CANCER, CHRONIC HEALTH – SOMEONE ISN'T HEALED - NITA

6. **Working of Miracles:** *dunamis* – Peter and Paul - **LONNIE FRISBEE**

7. **Helps:** The ability to enhance the effectiveness of the ministry of other members of the body. This is the only usage of this word in the NT

- **Explain helps**

8. **Administrations:** This word is used outside of Scripture of a helmsman who steers a ship to its destination. This suggests that the spiritual gift of administration is the ability to steer a church or Christian organization toward the fulfillment of its goals by managing its affairs and implementing necessary plans.

SPIRITUAL

9. **Distinguishing of Spirits:** The ability to clearly discern the spirit of truth and the spirit of error. With this gift, one can distinguish reality versus counterfeits, the divine versus the demonic, true versus false teaching, and in some cases, spiritual versus carnal motives.

- **PROPHECIES / SPIRITS / Simon the Magician / Girl in Phillipi**

1John 4:1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God
 Acts 20:29 I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock;
 30 and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them.

Jude 4 For certain people have crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God

- **VITAL – so much infiltration of world/humanism in to XIANITY – MUST**

10. **Faith:** The ability to have a vision for what God wants to be done and to confidently believe that it will be accomplished in spite of circumstances and appearances to the contrary.

- Not to be confused with optimism – WE ALL HAVE LIVE FAITH

- **JONATHON/ARMOR B** – for what **Living OUT IN THE DANGER ZONE**

CLOSE