



## DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE

### *Gifts of the Holy Spirit ... by Billy*

**READ: 1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-7**

- Spiritual gifts are always spoken about in the context of the church as a body in which each member fulfils an appointed and unique role. (Note the context in Romans 12:4-5 and Eph.4:1-6).
- There are 5 different Greek words to describe the gifts of the Spirit and I will make mention of these as I proceed.
  - ✚ **V1** : The first of these words is PNEUMATIKAI. The use of this word indicates that the origin of the gift is the Holy Spirit.
  - ✚ **V4** : The second word that describes the spiritual gifts is the Greek word CHARISMA. This indicates that the gift is neither earned or deserved- it is a gift of God's grace.
  - ✚ **V5** : The word DIAKONIA in verse 5 indicates that each gift is meant to serve the members of the body.
  - ✚ **V6** : The 4th word used to describe the spiritual gifts is the Greek word ENERGEMA. This indicates that the exceeding greatness of God's power is in operation when His gifts are active in the life of the church.
  - ✚ **V7** : The last description of the spiritual gifts relates to the word PHANEROSIS. This indicates the manifestation element of each gift.
- The word is also associated with making something visible. In other words, when there is a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good, all confusion should be dispelled and a sense that God is in the midst ought to pervade the atmosphere. (1 Cor.14:25)  
Let me summarize with an application of this teaching.
- We have heard about the anointing of the Holy Spirit that is upon each believer. It is the anointing of God which enables us to receive His designated gifts in our lives. The gifts of the Holy Spirit come from God out of His grace and mercy.
- This is confirmed when they are ministered in humble service to the church and when they reveal both the truth of God's word and the power of His activity.

## WEEKLY EVENTS/NOTICES

### Events /Notices

- ▶ **No Bible study group** on *Friday 10th June* due to Castledaly weekend.
- ▶ **Castledaly fellowship weekend** begins *10th June* and ends *Sunday afternoon 12th June*. Still places left-see Maressa/Edvaldo
- ▶ **Monthly extended prayer meeting** starts on *Saturday 2nd July 8pm - 11.30pm*

### Extra Services

*If you have children with you, these are the facilities provided:*

#### ▶ *Crèche and Pre-school Praise*

Our crèche is based on the floor above the Meeting Room with baby changing facilities and toys to keep your young child occupied if they do not settle during the meeting. Parents are to attend to their children at all times. There is a short and simple pre-school Bible lesson during the sermon for 2-5 year olds in the Crèche (as arranged).

#### ▶ *Sunday School*

Our Sunday School is open to children of school going age and operates during the sermon in the Sunday School room on the top floor. Our teachers have a Bible story and songs prepared for your child(ren), teaching them the need for Salvation and Christian living.

*Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD (Psalm 34:11)*

#### ▶ *Tea and Coffee*

After the Sunday morning service, tea, coffee and light refreshments are available on the top floor in the Hospitality Room. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:2).