

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

DISCOVERING THE GIFTS FROM THE HOLY SPIRIT

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LESSON 1

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The normal thing in a church is to see the members as a gift from God; each person is a gift to the body of Christ. **Ephesians 4:7, 11-16**

Every person is unique because of the gifts God has placed in him. **Acts 9:8-18**

A church is like a gold mine. It is our duty to discover the gifts of each member in the church. Here are some reasons why gifts can be hidden:

1. **INTIMIDATION BY DEMONS:** Fear is the most common hinderance for people to discover and use their gifts. **2 Timothy 1:6-7**

2. **INFERIORITY:** A person will compare himself with others and then come to the conclusion that he has nothing to offer. By doing so you are cutting yourself off from the body of Christ. **1 Corinthians 12:15-16**

3. **LACK OF KNOWLEDGE:** **Hosea 4:6**

4. **LACK OF FELLOWSHIP AND ENCOURAGEMENT:**

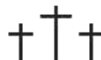
When you say to someone, "We don't need you," you are binding up the gift.

When you say, "You are needed" to someone, then you're releasing the gift.

Gifts from the Holy Spirit do not function if a person isolates himself and lives a selfish life. The gifts are given to serve one another. **John 13:12-17**

5. **DOMINATING & PROFESSIONALLY RELIGIOUS PEOPLE** hinder people from using their gifts. A few people in the church are doing all the work. **1 Corinthians 12:19**

6. **REFUSAL TO BE OPEN WITH OTHERS:** We give out of ourselves when we move in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Most people are hiding. **Matthew 5:13-16**



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