# MOTIVATIONAL GIFTS DEFINED

#### Romans 12:3-8

**ROMANS 12:3a For** say, through The Grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think...

# ROMANS 12:3b ... but to think soberly [in his or her right mind], as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.

# ROMANS 12:4 For as we have many members in one body, <u>but all the</u> members do not have the same function,

# ROMANS 12:5 so we, being many, are one **body in Christ, and** individually members of one another.

**ROMANS 12:6 Having** then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if **PROPHECY**, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith;

ROMANS 12:7 or MINISTRY [SERVING], let us use it in our ministering; he who TEACHES, in teaching;

ROMANS 12:8 he who **EXHORTS**, in exhortation; he who GIVES, with liberality; he who LEADS, with diligence; he who shows MERCY, with cheerfulness.

#### **MOTIVATIONAL GIFT:** MINISTRY To minister and render loving, general service to meet the needs of others. Illustrated in the work and office of the deacon (Matt. 20:26).

# MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: TEACHING

The supernatural ability to explain and apply the truths received from God for the church.

# MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: TEACHING Presupposes study and

the Spirit's illumination providing the ability to make divine truth clear to the people of God.

MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: EXHORTATION a. Literally means to call aside for the purpose of making an appeal. b. In a broader sense it means to entreat, comfort, or instruct (Acts 4:36; Heb. 10:25).

#### MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: GIVING

# a. The essential meaning is to give out of a spirit of generosity.

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b. In a more technical sense, it refers to those with resources aiding those without such resources (2 Cor. 8:2; 9:11-13).

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c. This gift is to be exercised without outward show or pride and with liberality. (2. Cor. 1:12; 8:2; 9:11, 13)

#### MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: LEADERSHIP

### a. Refers to the one "standing in front."

# MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: LEADERSHIP **b.** Involves the exercise of the Holy Spirit in modeling, superintending, and developing the body of Christ.

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# c. Leadership is to be exercised with diligence.

#### MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: MERCY

# a. To feel sympathy with the misery of another.

#### MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: MERCY

# b. To relate to others in empathy, respect, and honesty.

# MOTIVATIONAL GIFT: MERCY c. To be effective, this gift is to be exercised with kindness and cheerfulness... not as a matter of duty.

EPHESIANS 2:8-9 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not of works, lest anyone should boast.

EPHESIANS 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

# So... WHAT DOES JESUS LOOK LIKE?

**GALATIANS 5:22** But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

GALATIANS 5:24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. <sup>25</sup> If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

ROMANS 12:1 | beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to <u>God</u> which is your reasonable service.

**ROMANS 12:2** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

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#### WHO WOULD LIKE TO ...

#### **BECOME MORE LIKE** JESUS!