

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Ice Breaker: What did you do to keep warm this week when the temperatures plummeted?

1. Pastor Tom stated at the beginning of the message this week that spiritual gifts are often at the center of controversy. How have you experienced this?
2. Pastor Tom outlined several myths about the spiritual gift of tongues. One that can often arise asserts that spiritual experiences are what validates truth. Read 1 John 4:1-3.
3. Another myth that was outlined is that tongues are an important spiritual gift. Read 1 Corinthians 12:31; 14:1-5, 12 and discuss.
4. Pastor Tom shared 3 purposes for the spiritual gift of tongues. Refer to the message notes and discuss which one of these purposes stuck out most to you.
5. Read 1 Corinthians 14:33; 13:13. Spiritual gifts are to be exercised in love and for the benefit of the local church. How do these verses challenge you to step out in using your gifts? (In other words, putting your gifts to work?)

PERSONAL GUIDE

DAY ONE: Galatians 3

DAY TWO: Galatians 4

DAY THREE: Galatians 5

DAY FOUR: Galatians 6

DAY FIVE: 1 Samuel 1

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NEW DAY
NEW SEASON

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A DIFFERENT LIFE



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"WHEN IGNORANCE ISN'T
BLISS - PART 2"
FEBRUARY 16TH 2020



“When Ignorance Isn’t Bliss” (Part 2)

[Tom Lundeen, Senior Pastor]

MESSAGE NOTES

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Ignorance, _____, and misuse are the main causes of controversy about spiritual gifts like miracles, healing, and especially tongues.

So we first of all need to ask the question:

1. Are These Types of Spiritual Gifts for _____?

Note 1 Corinthians 13:8-10

When perfection...the perfect comes...(1 Corinthians 13:10) = refers to the _____.

Note 1 Corinthians 13:12 and 1 John 3:2 (“face to face...know fully”)

_____ spiritual gifts are for today.

Because the spiritual gift of _____ is most often at the center of most controversy and questions...let’s focus on the spiritual gift of _____.

2. _____ About the Spiritual Gift of Tongues

- A. Tongues are for _____ believers—_____ questions (note 1 Corinthians 12:29-30). Note 1 Corinthians 12:17; Acts 2:4, 6; 10:44-46; 19:6
- B. Spiritual experiences _____ truth (1 John 4:1) - when spiritual gifts become the _____, there’s a good chance of wrong doctrine and practice.
- C. Tongues increase _____ (note Romans 10:17).
- D. Tongues are the _____ of being filled with the Holy Spirit (note Acts 4:8, 31; 6:5, 8; 7:55; 13:52). The _____ of a Spirit-filled life is power for serving and following Jesus and the fruit of the Spirit (note 1 Corinthians 13).

E. Tongues are always from _____ - they are easily _____.

F. Tongues are an _____ spiritual gift (note 1 Corinthians 12:31; 14:1, 12).

3. _____ of the Spiritual Gift of Tongues

- A. _____ - to unbelieving Jews (primary use in the New Testament, note 1 Corinthians 14:20-23). Note 1 Corinthians 14:2 with Isaiah 28:11-12). Note 1 Corinthians 14:23.
- B. Personal _____ gift (note 1 Corinthians 14:4-5; 18; 6, 12, 16-17).
- C. Give a _____ to the Body of Christ—_____ conditions (note 1 Corinthians 14:26-28). C. Peter Wagner = local churches and denominations have their own “gift-mix”...

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- Some of the “more supernatural” of the spiritual gifts...are legitimate and for _____.
- As far as tongues go, I believe their most _____ role today is as a personal prayer gift.
- All spiritual gifts are to be exercised in _____ and for the benefit of the local church (Note 1 Corinthians 14:33).
- Note 1 Corinthians 12:31
- Let’s not get _____ about the gift of tongues, or any other spiritual gift.
- Our world is lost, spiritually dead, and heading for eternal condemnation, and we shouldn’t be _____ on the least of all spiritual gifts when so much is to be done for the King, the Head of the Church, to accomplish His mission!

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- A. Tongues are for all believers – rhetorical questions (note 1 Corinthians 12:29-30). Note 1 Corinthians 12:17; Acts 2:4, 6; 10:44-46; 19:6
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- C. Tongues increase faith (note Romans 10:17).
- D. Tongues are the sign of being filled with the Holy Spirit (note Acts 4:8, 31; 6:5, 8; 7:55; 13:52). The evidence of a Spirit-filled life is power for serving and following Jesus and the fruit of the Spirit (note 1 Corinthians 13).
- E. Tongues are always from God – they are easily counterfeited...
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