

## Living Life in the Power of the Holy Spirit – Spiritual Gifts II

Romans 12:6-8; Also using a handout used for I Corinthians Study Chapter 12

**Prophecy** – Inspired utterance from the Lord. Speaking a direct message from God to the listeners. Can be anything God wants us to know or remember or be forewarned about. Could be chastisement or encouragement; Could be declaration of spiritual truth or exhortation to good works. Whatever God wants to say to us in a particular moment. The Prophet is God's mouthpiece. It must be uttered in harmony with what has already been spoken; in keeping with or according to the standard of the Christian faith.

**Ministering** – working in practical ways to assist believers; broadly, could be work of a deacon. This is service in the local church. (diakonia – ministry)

**Teaching** – Ability of making the message and truth of God understandable to others, especially to the unlearned.

**Exhortation** – appeals to the heart in consolation and encouragement, especially encouragement to live biblically: trust God, live holy, etc.

**Giving** – Liberally and with singleness of heart

**Ruleth** – leadership, with diligence

**Mercy** – Showing kindness to those who suffer; with cheerfulness.

There is a place for all of us who have been gifted by the Holy Spirit. We honor each other and the gifts God has given to us.