

Because all Believers have the responsibility of growing in the their faith, all have the responsibility of developing the fruit of the spirit. Fruit is not discovered as are the gifts, it is developed through the believer's walk with God and through yieldedness to the Holy Spirit. While spiritual gifts help define what a Believer does, the fruit of the Spirit helps define what a Believer is.

The fruit of the Spirit is the indispensable foundation for the exercise of spiritual gifts. Gifts without fruit are worthless. The church at Corinth serves as an example of this (ICor.1:7; ICor.13:1-3) Gifts without fruit are like a tire without air.

Gifts of the Holy Spirit:

The great majority of the spiritual gifts mentioned in the Bible are found in three key chapters: Romans 12, I Corinthians 12 and Ephesians 4. Several secondary chapters provide other import details. They include mainly 1 Corinthians 7, 13-14, Ephesians 3 and 1 Peter 4.

Romans 12:

- 1. Prophecy (preaching, inspired utterance)
- 2. Service (ministry)
- 3. Teaching
- 4. Exhortation (stimulating faith, encouraging)
- 5. Giving (contributing, generosity, sharing)
- 6. Leadership (authority, ruling, administration)
- 7. Mercy (sympathy, comfort to the sorrowing, kindness).

I Corinthians 12

- 8. .Wisdom (wise advise, wise speech)
- 9. Knowledge (studying, speaking with knowledge)
- 10. Faith
- 11. Healing
- 12. Miracles (doing great deeds)
- 13. Discerning of Spirits
- 14. Tongues (speaking in languages never learned)
- 15. Interpretation of Tongues
- 16. Helps
- 17. Administration

Ephesians 4: (Ascension Gifts)

- 18. Apostles
- 19. Prophets
- 20. Evangelists
- 21. Pastors
- 22. Teachers

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Apostolic Strategies

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1. Noteworthy of the Apostle, is his inordinate understanding of leadership and government. With crystal clear insight, they are able to peer through organization and operational muddle to swiftly identify problems and their root cause. Aptly, they sum up needs and uncover solutions to help put wandering institutions back on God's tract.
 2. Apostles are missions and outreach minded and, have global emphases to their work. Also, realizing that theirs is a work of duration, their efforts center on the here and now and, the hereafter.
 3. God's good pleasure is the chief motivation of their service. Apostles, undoubtedly, have gone through painful separation processes before being trusted with their missions. The dis-entanglements are strenuous and taxing in their inner self. Most are bruised inside from the events that led to, and culminated in, their call. Alienation and isolation from the masses propels them to the comfort and friendship of the Lord. Upon finding his place, and space in the Godhead, he soon recovers to make Christ his all in all, and centralizes Him as the chief reason for his being in ministry.
 4. Apostles, for all reasons mentioned above, possess a deep affection for the Lord. It ends up being the single impetus behind their slavish devotion to Him and their work. The apostolic anointing will have, as a result, exceptional experiences with the Lord outside of duty demands and ministry requirements. A genuine flame of friendship and camaraderie and fellowship exists between the two.
 10. Authority is the main feature of credibility for the office. It is the convincing factor that announces this is not your every day run of the mill preacher. Apostles command respect, and capture the attention of even the most indifferent observer with their skillful articulation of the word of the Lord. Their revelations are stirring and tend to overwhelm those who hear them for a varied of reasons.
 11. The nature of the office is judicial, not judgmental as many would like to contend, executive and administrative. Apostles are more than dual strata officers, they are multi-strata. The divine mandate equips them for spiritual, eternal, supernatural and demonic encounters.

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