

Assignment #8 “Spiritual Gifts in the Church”

Principle:

Passages: 1 Corinthians 12 1 Peter 4:10-11 Romans 12:3-8

Please study these verses and then answer the following questions. Be concise in your answers. List specific principles that you glean from your study of these passages and give the accompanying scripture reference.

1. From these passages, write down as many observations as you can about spiritual gifts.
2. Based upon what these passages say, what is the purpose of spiritual gifts?
3. How do these verses influence your understanding of your role in the local church? What are the ramifications for you personally if you are not using your gifts to serve in the church? What are the ramifications for the church if you are not using your gifts to serve in the church?
4. Do you think the gifts listed in these passages are meant to be exhaustive? In other words, are these the only spiritual gifts a person might have?
5. What is the difference between spiritual gifts and “natural” abilities? Is it possible for a person’s “natural” abilities to also function as spiritual gifts?
6. How does a person discover their spiritual gifts?
7. What do you think your spiritual gifts are?
8. How do you hope to grow in using your gifts?
9. Summarize this assignment into a short principle statement and write it in the space above.