

PART II---EVERYONE HAS A GIFT!

1. We are commanded to use our gifts to benefit others.
2. Our gift was built into us when God formed us.
3. Our gift can be observed in childhood
4. We are not to neglect our gift.
5. Our gift colors all we see.

If you put on a pair of sunglasses all you see will be colored accordingly.

So it is with a person's motivational gift.

A **perceiver** will look at life through a perceiver's eyes. Everything will look either good or bad, right or wrong, in God's or out of God's will. It is impossible for the perceiver to see life in any other way.

A **server** on the other hand will approach reality with the question, "What can I do to help in this situation?" He constantly notices opportunities to do things for others.

A **teacher** will search for truth in everything he encounters. Like the persistent Diogenes of Greek literature searching with a lantern for an honest man, the teacher will investigate, seek, and research.

An **exhorter** will see opportunities to encourage people at whatever they do.

The **giver** will look for ways in which he can invest his time, talent, and money providing for the needs of others.

The **administrator** with his broad vision will grasp the overall dimensions of a situation.

The ***compassion person*** will recognize hurts and wounds that need to be healed and see endless opportunities to express love.

And each one may thin, “Why don’t others see things the way I see them? It’s clear to me!”

6. Our gifts gives only perspective of the whole.

God has purposely limited and focused our giftedness so that we must work together and remain dependent on each other in order to grasp the whole truth.

This study will not only help you discover your gifts but also to become familiar with the other gifts, how people with differing gifts think how they operate, and how they benefit the whole Body of Christ. You will be enriched both personally and in your relationships by gaining these insights.

7. Each gift is of equal value.

Draw a circle in the space provided at the right:

Please divide the circle into seven equal segments. Then even if your slices are not symmetrical write: "These are equal slices!." Then label each with a motivational gift: **perceiver, server, teacher, exhorter, giver, administrator, or compassion person.** The concept of this drawing is that all gifts are equal. They are equal in value in the Body of Christ.

*"What we are is God's gift to us;
What we make of our lives is our gift to God."*

Percentage of people who have each gift:

Perceiver	12%
Server	17%
Teacher	6%
Exhorter	16%
Giver	6%
Administrator	13%
Compassion Person	30%