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Manifestation Gifts

Lesson One: Introduction

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I. **TEXT:** I Corinthians 12:7-11.

II. **THE NINE MANIFESTATION GIFTS:**

- A. Word of wisdom
- B. Word of Knowledge
- C. Faith
- D. Gifts of Healings
- E. Workings of miracles
- F. Prophecy
- G. Discernings of spirits
- H. Kinds of tongues
- I. Interpretation of tongues

III. **DESCRIPTION OF THESE GIFTS:**

- A. These nine gifts are called “manifestation gifts” because--
 - 1. The context of the entire chapter shows that the topic of discussion is spiritual gifts.
 - 2. In verse 7, the term “manifestation” introduces the following nine gifts given. The Greek word here is *phanerōsis* (φανέρωσις), which means “...that which is revealed, a revelation, an exhibition.”
- B. Manifestation gifts, then, are special and miraculous abilities given by the Spirit so that the power of God may be revealed.

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IV. THE EXTENT OF DISTRIBUTION OF THESE GIFTS:

- A. I believe that these manifestations of the Spirit may be made available to any and all believers, as the Spirit chooses to distribute them according to ministry needs.
- B. Scriptural Support of This View--
 - 1. 1 Corinthians 12:7, 11
 - 2. Mark 16:17-18

V. THE NATURE OF THESE MANIFESTATION GIFTS:

- A. They are miraculous in nature.
- B. They are temporary enablements for the ministry need of the moment.
- C. They are cooperative in nature. Two individuals may receive complimentary manifestation gifts. Also, a person may receive more than one manifestation gift at the same time.
- D. Examples of manifestation gifts are found in both Old and New Testaments. We must remember, though, that they are rarely “labeled” as such in the New Testament, much less the Old.
- E. They are controversial, believed by many Christians to have ceased shortly after the first century AD, at the close of the New Testament canon. This study assumes that miraculous gifts of the Spirit have *not* ceased. I maintain that the Scriptures, history and current Christian experience testify to the present day existence of valid miraculous manifestations of the Spirit’s power.
 - a) *(If you do not currently believe this to be true, then I would suggest that you study this cessation vs. continuation controversy before going any further in this study. To account for my own beliefs and provide study helps on this subject, I offer my own book on the subject, Miracles Then and Now. Contact me by writing Larry G. Overton, 340 Naples, Corpus Christi, TX 78404; or LGO@LarryOverton.com.)*