

What's So Spiritual About Your Gifts? ¹
FRPC – Week 4: Gifting Follows Assignment
March 15, 2026

- I. Read the following verses:
- a. **Luke 24:49** - ⁴⁹And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.
 - b. **Acts 2:32-33** - ³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. ³³Being therefore exalted at^[a] the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear.
 - c. **Romans 8:11** - ¹¹If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ^[a] from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through^[b] his Spirit that dwells in you.
 - d. **Philippians 1:6** - ⁶I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.
 - e. **Hebrews 2:3-4** - ...³how can we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? It was declared at first through the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, ⁴while God added his testimony by signs and wonders and various miracles, and by gifts of the Holy Spirit, distributed according to his will.
 - f. **Ephesians 4:11-13** - ¹¹The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.
 - g. *What other verses can you recall that talk about the work of the Spirit?*

God sent the Spirit on assignment. How can I characterize that work? How does that work itself out in my life? How do I get in step with the work it wants to do in me and through me?

There is a Greek word for the Holy Spirit that is often shared in sermons and Bible studies. Have you heard it? Do you remember what it is? Do you remember what it means? _____ How do you think this works???

Can you think of any other verses in Scripture that tell us about the work of the Spirit?

¹ Based on the work by Henry & Mel Blackaby, *What's So Spiritual About Your Gifts* (2004)

- II. Blackaby & Blackaby claim that gifting follows assignment. Can you think of any examples in Scripture where this is the case?

Why might this God work this way? What does it look like?

How might I respond when I am invited into a role but I am not sure I “have what it takes?”

- III. Read Matthew 28:18-20 - ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’

See also John 15:16 – ¹⁶You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name.

And John 20:21-22 -- ²¹Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’ ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.

What is the bottom line of what Jesus is saying? What are the implications for *me*?

- IV. A stand-alone example of being led by the Spirit

- V. Questions to Ponder

- a. What has called you to invest your life in?
- b. What are the ministries that have captured your heart?
- c. Is the Lord using your life in a way that you know God’s pleasure?
- d. What things are you doing that requires the Holy Spirit’s work in order to accomplish them?

- VI. Closing Prayer:

Psalm 143:10 -- Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.
Let your good spirit lead me on a level path.