Basics on Gifts of the Spirit (I CORINTHIANS 12:1-7)

## l Peter 4:10

<sup>10</sup> As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

#### I Corinthians 6:19

<sup>19</sup> Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your <u>ó</u> Sumo

 Spiritual gifts are God given endowments for Christian service.

2. Spiritual abilities that God gives believers in order that they may serve Him.

3. Way(s) you have been graced (gifted and strengthened) to serve and build up others.

4. A God-given capacity through which the holy Spirit supernaturally ministers to the body of Christ.

5. A unique capacity God the Holy Spirit gives you to minister to others.

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#### Ephesians 4:11-13

<sup>11</sup>And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; <sup>13</sup> until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

## Ephesians 4:14-16

<sup>14</sup> As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; <sup>15</sup> but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ, <sup>16</sup> from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

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#### Mark 10:45

<sup>45</sup> For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

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Means of joy and blessing.

#### Acts 20:35

<sup>35</sup> In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

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POINT:

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## Building up others.

#### Romans 14:19

<sup>19</sup> So then we pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.

#### I Thessalonians 5:11

<sup>11</sup> Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing.