

## Gifts of Apostles & Prophets

Overview	Apostles	Prophets
<p>Who - everyone who is a child of God has one</p> <p>When - when we received Christ as our Savior we receive our gift(s)</p> <p>Where do we exercise them - within the body, within our ministry</p> <p>How - serve one another, build up one another</p> <p>Why - for common good - to make us mature</p> <p>What - charisma - result of grace - a service that we can give back to God (Ro 12:1-2)</p> <p>5 W's and H</p> <p>We are talking about gifts and not positions or offices</p>	<p>#652 - apostolos - a messenger, one sent on a mission, one sent out by Jesus to preach the Gospel</p> <p>Today - missionary</p> <p>Heb 3:1 - Jesus called Apostle</p> <p>Matt 10:1-4 - disciples are called apostles</p> <p>Rev 21:14 - 12 foundations stones - 12 apostles - office</p> <p>Acts 1:15-26 - one who became apostle needed to be witness of Jesus from baptism to resurrection</p> <p>Paul - Acts 14:14 - Barnabas I Thes 1:1 - Silvanus, Timothy</p> <p>Apostle = Missionary - sent out with God's message</p> <p>False Prophets - deceitful works Disguise themselves apostles of Christ (II Cor 11:13-14) Put to test those who call themselves apostles (Rev 2:2)</p>	<p>#4394 from the root of #4396 - from divine inspiration declaring the purposes of God - reproving, admonishing the wicked, comforting the afflicted, revealing things hidden</p> <p>Foretelling and a forth-telling</p> <p>Old Testament Prophets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- warning - you are disobeying</li> <li>- Repent</li> <li>- Consequences - God's judgment will fall</li> </ul> <p>Matt 7:15-20 - we will know them by their fruits, they can disguise themselves as sheep</p> <p>Matt 24:24 - false prophets will show great signs and wonders to mislead</p> <p>Luke 6:26 - be careful when all men speak well of them</p> <p>Romans 12:6 - the prophet is to exercise the gift in accordance to the portion of his faith</p> <p>I Cor 12:10, 28-29 - they are numbered as greater gifts - important</p> <p>I Cor 13:2, 9-10 - prophecy without love is nothing - we prophesy in part</p> <p>Ephesians 4:11-13 - equip the saints for the work of service to build up the body of Christ</p> <p>They need to call sin sin</p> <p>I John 4:1-3 - test the spirits - what do they say about Jesus (cf. II Cor 4:4)</p> <p>Rev 19:10 - testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy</p>

## I Cor 14

- prophecy is important (1)
- Prophecies are spoken to edify, exhort, and console men (3)
- Edifies the church (4) (cf. Rom 14:19 - definition of edify)
- Seeking to edify the church (12)
- Prophecy is a sign for those who believe (22)
- Prophecy convicts those who are unbelievers (24)
- 2 or 3 can prophesy and others are to pass judgment (29)
- God is not a God of confusion but of peace (31-33)
- All things are to be done properly and in orderly manner (40)

## Old Testament

- Dt 13:1-5
  - Needs to prophesy the Lord's words
  - Can't encourage rebellion against the Lord
  - Don't listen to that prophet, but remain faithful to the Lord
- Dt 18:20-22
  - If the prophet speaks something that doesn't come true, then he is not speaking the word of the Lord
- Jer 28:9-17
  - We need to listen to truth - the one who brings the message of truth needs to be the one we follow
  - Satan is a liar - Father of lies

