

Lesson 4 - Exploring the Gifts

Overview	Apostleship	Prophet
<p>Who? - all believers have a gift - given by the Holy Spirit</p> <p>When? - we receive it when we are saved</p> <p>Where? - within the body of Christ (church) church being the members not a building</p> <p>How? - build up the body, serve one another</p> <p>What - charisma - result of grace - a service that we give back to God</p> <p>Why - for the common good - to make us mature</p> <p>We are talking about gifts given to each individual believer</p> <p>We are not talking about positions or offices!</p>	<p>apostle - #G652 - apostolos - sent forth, ambassador of the Gospel, one that is set apart, a delegate ambassador is never greater than the one who sent him</p> <p>Heb 3:1 - Jesus is called the Apostle and High Priest</p> <p>Mt 10:1-4 - the disciples went from sitting at Jesus' feet being discipled to being sent out as apostles</p> <p>Rev 21:14 - 12 apostles as foundation stones - who was the 12th? Paul was considered the apostle untimely born</p> <p>Paul is apostle</p> <p>Acts 14:15 - preach the gospel so men would turn from vain things to the living God</p> <p>Ro 16:7 - Andronicus and Junias that are called apostles</p> <p>I Thes 1:1 - Silvanus and Timothy? (cf 2:6)</p> <p>sent out to be ambassadors - preach the gospel so that men would turn to God</p> <p>Missionary (tent makers) = apostle</p> <p>II Cor 11:13-14 - false apostles disguising themselves as apostles of Christ</p> <p>Rev 2:2 - putting to the test those who call themselves apostles</p>	<p>prophet - #G4394 - Prophetia - foretell - telling before it happens forth telling - proclaiming forth God's Word</p> <p>Prophets of OT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - your sinning - repent - God will judge them <p>I Cor 13:2 - prophecy needs to be exercised in love!</p> <p>Rev 19:10 - the very spirit of why Jesus came is prophecy</p> <p>False Prophets</p> <p>Matt 7:15-20 - ravenous wolves dressed in sheep's clothing - you will know them by their fruits</p> <p>Matt 24:24 - show great signs and wonders - to mislead</p> <p>I John 4:1-3 - test the spirits - listen to the message that they are giving</p> <p>Has the ability to convict people!</p> <p>Eph 4:11-16 - apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors/teachers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - equipping of the saints - builds up the body - unity of faith - mature man - grow up in the body of Christ (He supports and holds together the whole body)