

I Will Faithfully Use My Spiritual Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone.”

Our church covenant says:

“I will promote the maturity of the church
by faithfully using my spiritual gifts.”

5 SIMPLE REALITIES ABOUT THIS COMMITMENT:

I. It is a biblical commitment. (1 Cor. 12:4-6)

We must see that . . .

- A. Our spiritual gifts are functions or abilities that are meant to be put into operation. (Rom. 12:4-6)
- B. Our spiritual gifts come in many different forms. (1 Pet. 4:11)
- C. Our spiritual gifts are given by the Lord. (1 Cor. 12:4-11)
 - 1. God distributes hand-picked gifts to each individual.
 - 2. God distributes hand-picked gifts according to his will.
- D. Our spiritual gifts require love. (1 Cor. 13.)
- E. Our spiritual gifts run on God’s power. (1 Cor. 12:6, 11)
- F. Our spiritual gifts were given for a purpose.
 - 1. For the good of the body. (1 Cor. 12:7)
 - 2. For the glory of Jesus Christ. (1 Pet. 4:11)

II. It is a threatened commitment. (Rom. 12:6)

III. It is a practical commitment.

IV. It is a grace-required commitment. (Rom. 12:6)

- A. You need to put the effort in.
- B. You need God’s help and grace.

V. It is a gospel-driven commitment. (Philippians 2)