

Lesson 17

The Gifts of the Spirit

Alright kiddo, let's talk about something really amazing today: the Gifts of the Spirit! So, after we get baptized, we have hands laid on our heads to get something super special called the gift of the Holy Ghost. And guess what? When we're good and faithful, we can get these cool powers from God called gifts of the Spirit. These gifts help us do good things, understand God better, and help others.

Now, let's talk about some of these awesome gifts:

- **The Gift of Tongues:** Sometimes, we need to talk to people who speak different languages. God can help us understand and speak their language so we can tell them about Jesus.
- **The Gift of Wisdom:** Some people are really good at understanding tricky things and helping others figure stuff out. That's like having a superpower to make smart choices and help friends.
- **The Gift of Healing:** Have you ever been sick and someone prayed for you, and you felt better? That's because some people have a special gift to help others get better when they're not feeling well.
- **The Gift of Knowing Jesus is Real:** This one is super cool. Some people just know deep down inside that Jesus is real and loves them. It's like having a warm feeling in your heart that helps you feel safe and happy.
- **The Gift of Prophecy:** Remember how prophets in the Bible knew things that would happen in the future? Well, some people still have that gift today! They can help us know what God wants us to do.
- **The Gift of Faith:** This is like having a big belief in God and knowing that He can do anything. When we have faith, we can ask God for help, and amazing things can happen!

But guess what? Sometimes, the bad guy, Satan, tries to trick us with fake gifts that look like the real ones. That's why we need to be super careful and ask God to help us know what's true and good.

And you know what's really important? We should be thankful for these special gifts and use them to help others and make the world a better place. So, let's be like superheroes with our Gifts of the Spirit and spread kindness and love wherever we go! ✨

Additional Scriptures

1 Corinthians 12 (gifts of the Spirit in the ancient Church of Jesus Christ)

Title: "Emma's Extraordinary Gifts: A Tale of Kindness and Courage"

In a cozy village nestled among rolling hills, there lived a young girl named Emma. Emma was known for her caring heart and boundless imagination. One bright morning, as she skipped through fields of wildflowers, she felt a gentle breeze whispering secrets in her ear.

"Hey there, Emma!" the breeze murmured, its voice soft and soothing. Surprised, Emma paused and glanced around, but there was no one in sight. Curious, she listened closely as the breeze spoke again, this time from within her own heart.

"I am the Spirit of God," the breeze whispered, "and I have bestowed upon you the Gifts of the Spirit."

Intrigued, Emma's eyes sparkled with wonder as she learned about the amazing gifts God had given her. The Gift of Tongues would allow her to speak to people of different languages, spreading the message of Jesus far and wide. The Gift of Wisdom would help her make wise choices and guide others on their journey. The Gift of Healing would enable her to bring comfort and relief to those who were sick or in pain.

As Emma listened, she felt a warmth spreading through her heart, filling her with a sense of peace and purpose. She realized that the Gifts of the Spirit were not just special powers, but tools to be used for the greater good.

But along with these gifts, Emma learned about the dangers of deception. The evil one, Satan, sought to deceive and mislead, tempting her with counterfeit gifts that promised power but led only to darkness. Emma understood the importance of discernment, of seeking truth and goodness in all things.

With a brave heart and a determined spirit, Emma embraced her gifts and set out to make a difference in the world. She used the Gift of Knowing Jesus is Real to share His love with those in need, the Gift of Prophecy to offer guidance and comfort, and the Gift of Faith to overcome every obstacle in her path.

And as Emma journeyed through life, her kindness and courage touched the hearts of all who crossed her path. She became a beacon of hope and light in a world filled with darkness, a shining example of the extraordinary power of the Gifts of the Spirit.