The different types of spiritual gifts found in the New Testament

Leadership Gifts (See Ephesians 4:11 & 1 Corinthians 12:28)

Apostle (Romans 1:1, 16:7) Prophet (Acts 11:27-28, 13:1 & 21:9) Evangelist (Acts 6:7, 8:26-40, & 21:8) Pastor-teacher (Acts 13:1)

Ministry Gifts (See Romans 12:7-8)

Serving (Acts 6:1-5 & 9:36-41, 1 Timothy 3:13) Teaching (Acts 18:24, Titus 2:3-4) Encouraging (1 Thessalonians 5:14, 2 Thes. 3:12, Hebrews 3:13, Jude 3) Giving (Acts 4:34-37, 2 Corinthians 8:4 & 9;1) Leading (1 Timothy 3:1, Acts 15:13f, 1 Corinthians 12:28) Mercy (Acts 9:27, James 1:27) Helps (Acts 13:5, 1 Corinthians 12:28)

Revelation Gifts (See 1 Corinthians 12:8-11)

Wisdom (Acts 16:1-7 & 15:5-22) Knowledge (Acts 5:1-10, 9:1-18, & 10:19) Discernment (Luke 13:10, John 1:47, Acts 16:18)

Power Gifts (See 1 Corinthians 12:8-11)

Faith (Matthew 8:5-16, James 5:17-18) Healings (John 9:35-36, Acts 3:1-11) Miracles (Acts 6:8 & 8:6)

Edification Gifts (1 Corinthians 12:8-11)

Prophecy (Acts 21:10-11, 1 Corinthians 14:1-5) Tongues (1 Corinthians 14;18) Interpretation (1 Corinthians 14:13 & 27)

Prophecy

1 Corinthians 14:1 Follow the way of love and eagerly desire gifts of the Spirit, especially prophecy.

How God speaks

""And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream **dreams**, your young men will see **visions**." Joel 2:28 NIV

"What then shall we say, brothers and sisters? When you come together, each of you has a **hymn**, or a **word of instruction**, a **revelation**, a **tongue** or an **interpretation**. Everything must be done so that the church may be built up." 1 Corinthians 14:26 NIV

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will **remind you of everything I have said to you**." John 14:26 NIV

"Then he opened their minds so they could understand the **Scriptures**." Luke 24:45 NIV

When seeking revelation from God, according to the scriptures above, the revelation may come in a dream, a vision, a song, a piece of advice, a scripture or through tongues and interpretation.

How prophecy works

1. Revelation - God gives you a dream, a vision, a song, a piece of advice, a scripture or a tongue and interpretation.

2. Interpretation - God gives you what the revelation means.

3. Application - God gives you what they should do in response to the revelation and interpretation.

Seeking revelation from God is kind of like sailing. We can put up our sail but we can't make the wind blow. We can't make God speak but we can create space and opportunity for Him to by listening.

Give God the **<u>opportunity</u>** to speak to you and **<u>obey</u>** what He tells you to do.

- 1. Seek the baptism in the Holy Spirit (Luke 11:9-13, Romans 12:6, Jude 1:20)
- 2. Sign up for weekly emails with "You Got the Holy Spirit" by Dick Schroeder. <u>https://chialpha.com/resources/you-got-the-holy-spirit/</u>
- 3. Established a daily devotional life.
- 4. During your daily devotional time ask God who you should encourage that day. (Hebrews 3:13, 1 Thes 5:11, 2 Cor 13:11)
- 5. Do a media purification.
- 6. Schedule time weekly or even daily to give God the **opportunity** to speak and **obey** his direction.
- 7. Go on campus, ask people if you can pray for them, and pray with them.
- 8. Pray in the Spirit daily. Set aside 10 or 15 minutes to pray out loud in tongues in a private place. (Try to work up to an hour each day.)
- 9. Throughout the day give God the **opportunity** to speak by asking the question, "Lord, what are you doing in my world today? What do you want to say to the people I'm with?" Believe that Jesus is going to give you assignments, **obediently** do what he asks of you.
- 10. Set aside 10 or 15 minutes daily to spend in silence listening to God.
- 11. Ask Jesus to increase your desire for His Word and actually study the scriptures for yourself rather than just banking on what you've heard others say.
- 12. Be alert to the possibility that the Holy Spirit will speak to you at any time, in any place. Obedience is key. Without risk, there can be no gain.
- 13. Get a group together and do a" treasure hunt." <u>https://www.bethel.com/testimonies/gods-treasure-hunt/</u>
- 14. Read Scott Wilson's free book "P3" to grow in praying in the Spirit and the interpretation of tongues. <u>https://www.p3book.org/free-book-offer</u>
- 15. When you have some down time tell the Lord, "I'm available if you need me to do something today." (The more we volunteer, the more likely the Lord will prompt us to express a spiritual gift.)
- 16. During your devotional time ask God to interrupt your schedule and watch in expectation for Him to give you ways to minister to others.
- 17. Try operating in spiritual gifts often with those close to you so if you start operating totally out of emotion they can correct you.
- 18. Take small risks often. For example: pray for servers, ask cashiers how they are doing, ask for permission to sit with someone alone in the student union. With the goal of sharing the Gospel or your testimony.
- 19. Begin fasting a meal each week and pray for God to use you in spiritual gifts.
- 20. While praying for someone, ask God to give you words of encouragement to speak over them.
- 21. Read Jack Deee's The Beginner's Guide to the Gift of Prophecy
- 22. Ask God to open your eyes to how your fellow believers need to be urged, implored, and coached to draw near to God in their present circumstances. You may have your own ideas of what they need to hear, but yield those thoughts to God. Ask for an exhortation from Him that you can speak to them in a loving, encouraging tone.