

## GREEK GRAMMAR AND SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Paul separated 9 spiritual gifts; and listed them in 1 Cor.12:8-10 to make a doctrinal point in 1 Cor.13:8-10, which we will study next week.

It is important to point out that 1 Cor.12:8-10 is one Greek sentence as it is in NASB.

**This lesson will study Six aspects  
of the importance of the Greek Grammar to the 9 spiritual gifts  
listed in 1 Cor,12:8-10 to be applied to 1 Cor.13:8-10.**

### 1. Paul used men-de sequence to separate spiritual gifts .

(hos) (to One)

<b>Men</b>		word of wisdom
<b>De allos</b>	(same kind)	word of knowledge
<b>Heteros</b>	(a different kind)	faith
De allos	(same kind)	gifts of healing
De allos	(same kind)	effecting of miracles
De allos	(same kind)	prophecy
De -allos	(same kind)	distinguishing spirits
<b>Heteros</b>	(a different kind)	various kinds of tongues
De -allos	(same kind)	interpretation of tongues

### 2. Paul used the relative pronoun (hos) with (men) to start the sequence (hos men). Hos is translated (to one) in (1 cor.12:8).

Paul used hos with **allos** (one of same kind) and with **heteros** (one of different kind).

**Note** that there is NO (de) with these two heteros spiritual gifts.

### 3. Paul broke the sequence twice by not using (de) and by using (heteros).

He has divided these 9 spiritual gifts into **three groups**. This will be important to (1 Cor13:8-10).

Remember also that **heteros** refers to a “different kind”.

4. **Note that Paul used (heteros/ different kind) with faith (12:9) and with various kinds of tongues (12:10).**

**Heteros** is teaching a different kind of faith. A faith that is not acquired by the standard of (Rom.10:17. It is a faith that is supernaturally acquired by the Holy Spirit and outside of the Old Covenant Scriptures.

- **This faith** will be important for establishing the New Covenant Scriptures and for establishing the Church of Jesus Christ in the world (Book of Acts).
- **This faith** would be important to spiritual gifts healing and effecting of miracles in the pre-canon period of church age.

5. **Be sure to read (1 Cor.12:12-27) and the importance of Spiritual Gifts to the members of the local body of Christ, the Church.**

Every church age believer is given a spiritual gift at moment of grace salvation.

(1 Cor.12:11-13). [It is 1 of 8 works of Holy Spirit at salvation.](#)

- Therefore, there are NO Spiritually Ungifted church age believers!

6. **Your spiritual gift is important to the church you attend.**

It is especially important to those who worship together in the Lord, as well as others you are in contact with, in the Lord.

Remember the Church of Jesus Christ is both local and universal.

Remember also that your Spiritual Gift is for the “common good” of the body of Christ, the Church and NOT for your pleasure (1 Cor.12:7).

(1 Cor12:17) “If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be?”

(1Cor.12:20) “But now there are **many members** (spiritually gifted ministries), **but one body.**”