

DAY 19. — CELEBRATING ALL THAT GOD IS DOING

"We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully."

ROMANS 12:6-8

This passage lists just some of the spiritual gifts and talents followers of Christ can exhibit. We are given these gifts by the Spirit so we can use them to serve others. Gifts are not meant for us to keep to ourselves. In addition to serving others, they were given to us so we could honor and glorify God. Paul, the author of Romans, challenges believers to use these gifts with the right heart posture. "If it [your gift] is to show mercy, do it cheerfully". We can be generous with our talents knowing the Lord has given generously to each of us.

PRAYER:

Father, thank you for the talents you have given me. (Pray and thank Him for them specifically. If you don't know what they are, pray that He would reveal them to you). Help me remain humble as I use the gifts you've given me for the common good. Thank you that I am part of a local church where I can use my gifts to honor and glorify you. Thank you that you use broken people like me to glorify your name. I pray today I may be given opportunities to use the talents you have given me. Isn't it amazing that God has given you a gift that you're able to use to serve the body and build his Kingdom?

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