BROOKLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

Bible Study

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Lecture III

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Discovering Your Spiritual Gift(s)

III. The Gift of Giving

- Romans 12:6-11 (NLT)
- 1st Corinthians 16:1-2
- Malachi 3:10
- Matthew 23:23

A tithe is a minimum every believer is commanded to give. However, a person with the gift of giving will get a special blessing out of giving more than a tithe.

The Gift of Giving is defined as "the God-given ability to give cheerfully, eagerly, and generously to the Lord's work with no motive but to further the gospel of Jesus Christ.

• Acts 4:34-37

General Indicators of the Gift of Giving

- 1. Desire to give generously and unpretentiously to worthwhile projects and ministries.
- 2. Willing to share possessions with persons in need.
- 3. Experience joy in meeting needs through sharing possessions.
- 4. Feel a deep sense of gratitude and fulfillment in supporting the ministry of the church.
- 5. Have a strong sense of stewardship based on acknowledging God's ownership of all things.

IV. The Gift of Mercy

The Gift of Mercy is defined as "the God-given ability to have compassion for all kinds of hurting people and to minister to them cheerfully." It is characterized by the desire and ability to feel sympathy for and to actively meet the needs of those in distress or crisis, especially when those who are provided help cannot help themselves. Expressions of mercy are caring for the sick, relieving the poor and oppressed, and ministering to the elderly or disabled. This gift required more than a feeling; it requires action.

General Indicators of the Gift of Mercy

- 1. Sensitive to the needs of others, especially to those in trouble and distress.
- 2. Attracted to people who are having a hard time.
- 3. Possess an unusual capacity to understand the feelings of those in distress.
- 4. Have a special desire to help prevent suffering.
- 5. Will avoid using words or language that may distress others.
- 6. Recognize the signs of someone in distress.
 - Luke 10:30-37

"Whoever Has Your Ear Has Your Destiny!"