

# Gifted for the Common Good

## 1 Corinthians 12:1-7

Sunday, February 28, 2016

*Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.*

1 Corinthians 12:7

*If God gives me any little gift at all, He gives it not that I may gather people about myself, but He gives it to me for the blessing of others, for the salvation of sinners and for the edification of saints.*

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### Sermon Outline:

Introduction (vs. 1-2) – Paul is concerned about the lack of understanding that the people of the Corinthian church have about spiritual gifts, and wants to set them straight.

#### **1. We are all the same, so stop judging one another.**

If Jesus is your Lord, you have the Holy Spirit in you (vs. 3)

#### **2. We are all different, so stop comparing to one another.**

God has gifted you uniquely, placed you uniquely and is working in you uniquely (vs. 4-6)

#### **3. We are gifted for the COMMON GOOD, so start serving one another.**

God has gifted you for the building up of His church and the furthering of His Kingdom. (vs. 7)

### Questions for Reflection (vs 4-6)

Are you aware of how the Holy Spirit has gifted you?

Do you have a sense of where the Lord has called you to serve?

What work is God doing in you in this season of life?