



## "Tools for Building the Church"

1 Corinthians 14 :1-25

### 1 Corinthians 14 :12

"So it is with you. Since you are eager to have spiritual gifts, try to excel in gifts that build up the church."

3 Themes in this passage:

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### LOVE

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We cannot forget that as we tackle this difficult topic of spiritual gifts that love is \_\_\_\_\_!  
(1 Corinthians 13, 14:1)

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### DISCOVER

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A spiritual gift is always \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in the context of community.  
(1 Corinthians 12:7, 12, 18, 27)

"For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands." **2 Timothy 1:6** ESV

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### BUILD

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Prophecy is more beneficial than tongues when it comes to building the church because:

- Prophecy is directed \_\_\_\_\_.  
(vs. 2-5)
- Tongues (without interpretation) is \_\_\_\_\_ in the general assembly because no one understands.  
(vs. 6-12)

\*Music

\*Battle Call

\*Language

\*Remember, our gifts are tools to build \_\_\_\_\_ up, not to build \_\_\_\_\_ up.

- Tongues (without interpretation) \_\_\_\_\_ the unbeliever.  
(vs. 21-23)
- Prophecy \_\_\_\_\_ of sin so that the unbeliever might \_\_\_\_\_.  
(vs. 24-25)

**What if ...**

\*we looked at every interaction with people as an opportunity to build them up?

\*we used our gifts for God's glory rather than our own?