

DESIRING SPIRITUAL GIFTS

“Eagerly pursue Love, yet desire Spiritual Gifts...”

- 1st Corinthians 14:1

Class 19

Tongues

- Literal Meaning:

- Language

- The ability to speak in a language unknown to the speaker

- Supporting References:

- 1st Corinthians 12:10

- 10) To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

- 1st Corinthians 12:28-30

- 28) And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.
- 29) Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?
- 30) Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

- Acts 2:1-11

- This appears to be different...
- They didn't need an interpreter

- 1st Corinthians 14:1-28

- 1st Corinthians 13:1

- 1) Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

- Characteristics:

- People with this Gift:

- Speak in a language they have never heard and do not understand
 - Communicate a message from God to the Ecclesia

- Traits:

- Responsive, Receptive, Spontaneous

- Cautions

- People with this Gift:

- Need to remain silent if there is no interpreter
 - Need to remember that the purpose is edifying others