

**Title****Rom 12:3-8**

**3** For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.

**4** For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function,

**5** so we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.

**6** Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, *let us use them*: if prophecy, *let us prophesy* in proportion to our faith;

**7** or ministry, *let us use it* in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching;

**8** he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

**Redemptive Gifts**

1. Prophet
2. Servant
3. Teacher
4. Exhorter
5. Giver
6. Ruler
7. Mercy

**Part of the process to developing Redemptive Gifts, is to value & embrace COMMUNITY**

(ref.) Rom 12:4-5

**Isa 61:1-3**

**1** "The Spirit of the Lord GOD *is* upon Me, Because the LORD has anointed Me To preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives, And the opening of the prison to *those who are* bound;

**2** To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn,

**3** To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; That they may be called trees of righteousness, **The planting of the LORD**, that He may be glorified."

**PLANTING H4302** maṭṭâ`*mat-taw'* something *planted*, that is, the place (a garden or vineyard), or the thing (a *plant*, figuratively of men)

from **H5193** to *strike* in, that is, *fix*; specifically to *plant* (literally or figuratively): - fastened, plant (-er).

**Both the Garden & the Trees****Gen 2:7-8**

**7** And the LORD God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

**8** The LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed.

**Jer 17:7-8**

**7** "Blessed *is* the man who trusts in the LORD, And whose hope is the LORD.

**8** For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, Which spreads out its roots by the river, And will not fear when heat comes; But its leaf will be green, And will not be anxious in the year of drought, Nor will cease from yielding fruit.

## TREES planted or in pots

Part of the process to maturing  
Redemptive Gifts, is to value &  
embrace COMMUNITY

(ref.) 1Co 12:18 But now God has set  
the members, each one of them, in  
the body just as He pleased.

SET G5087 tithēmi tith'-ay-mee  
to *place* (in ...an upright and active  
position...): settle, sink down.

(homework ref.) Psa 1:1-3

3 ...And whatever he does shall  
prosper.

## Giver Redemptive

GIVE G3330 metadidōmi  
to *give over*, that is, *share*: - impart.

### Behavioral Characteristics

- Versatile and adaptable, flexible
- Generational worldview (not only concerned with their own life, but intentionally try to prepare the way for their family after them)

## Redemptive Gifts

- Nurturing – deeply committed to family
- Have a heart for evangelism, but do not generally want to “pick the fruit”
- Relates to a wide range of people
- Money and favor come to them
- Can sustain tense relationships without bringing them to closure – they agree to disagree easily

### Undeveloped Giver

Gives only in time of abundance.

### Developed Giver Redemptive

Gives wisely to establish ministries in their time of abundance and in their time of need.

### Undeveloped Giver

Can be overly cautious. Makes decisions based on fear rather than faith. They can not birth new things.

### Developed Giver Redemptive

Trusts God to deliver what He has promised. Willing to take financial risks based on faith instead of always waiting for the safe deal.

## Undeveloped Giver

Can be too frugal with family members, or too generous with the intent to control.

## Developed Giver Redemptive

Balanced generosity – stands against the destructive forces of excess and indulgence.

## Undeveloped Giver

Can be independent to the extreme. May try to live independent of God - this lack of relationship can cause the undeveloped Giver to walk in fear and mistrust.

## Developed Giver Redemptive

Dependent on God, walks in strong relationship with God instead of relying on themselves.

## Undeveloped Giver

Can become a hoarder and places their trust and security in money & possessions. They do not see themselves as a conduit for God. Puts trust in the extended family.

## *Redemptive Gifts*

### **Developed Giver Redemptive**

Trusts God, & sees themselves as His conduit of blessing.

### **Undeveloped Giver**

Walks out their faith like a business contract, keeping their “end of the bargain.” Has a tendency to be traditional.

### **Developed Giver Redemptive**

No longer uses religious activities to please God, but walks in a true (heartfelt) love relationship with Him. They embrace the “new wine.”

### **Undeveloped Giver**

Can use emotional manipulations to try and control family members. They can be very petty.

### **Developed Giver Redemptive**

They develop healthy, life-giving relationships within their immediate family.

### **Undeveloped Giver**

Can be suspicious and fearful of what might happen. They build protective “structures” based on fear.

### **Developed Giver Redemptive**

Builds & provides for the future based on faith

### **Undeveloped Giver**

Doesn't accept God's absolutes & wants to keep their options open.

### **Developed Giver Redemptive**

Led by the Holy Spirit & is not casual about God's absolutes.

### **Undeveloped Giver**

Does not learn from the past well, makes the same mistakes over and over, and considers each situation as unique and different. Resents being confronted about their patterns, mistakes, & things from their past.

### **Developed Giver Redemptive**

Accepts responsibility for past mistakes. They are willing to make amends, & acknowledges unhealthy patterns.

### **Undeveloped Giver**

Scrooge

### **Developed Giver Redemptive**

It is their birthright to impart generational blessings of wealth and favor (like Abraham). They also have authority to guard new programs & ministries through intercession. They impart blessing at the beginning of a project and ministry.

### **Closing**

**1Pe 4:10** As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

**Next week:**

**Ruler & Mercy Redemptive**