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Real Estate Illustration

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

Rom 11:29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

(AMP) For God's gifts and His call are irrevocable. [*He never withdraws them when once they are given, and He does not change His mind about those to whom He gives His grace or to whom He sends His call.*]

GIFTS G5486 charisma *char'-is-mah* a (divine) *gratuity*, (specifically) a (spiritual) *endowment*, miraculous *faculty*: - (free) gift.

"a gift of grace, a gift involving grace" on the part of God as the donor, ...consequent upon the grace of God as Creator..." (Vine's Expository Dictionary)

Ps 139:13-16

13 For You formed my inward parts; You covered me **in my mother's womb**.

14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

15 My frame was not hidden from You,

When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed.

And in Your book they all were written,

The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.

Physical DNA physical genetic blueprint

-Created by the system (mom & dad)

Spiritual DNA spiritual genetic blueprint

-Created by God in your mother's womb at the moment of conception

1947 Smith Wigglesworth (at the end of his life) speaking to Lester Sumrall:

Wigglesworth cried saying, "I probably won't see you again now. My job is almost finished."

As he continued to pray, he cried "I see it, I see it!"

Brother Sumrall asked, "What do you see, what do you see?"

He said, "I see a healing revival coming right after World War II. It'll be so easy to get people healed. I see it! I see it! I won't be here for it, but you will be."

Voice of Healing – late 1940's (Oral Roberts, Billy Graham, T.L. Osborne, etc.)

He continued to prophesy, "I see another one. I see people of all different denominations being filled with the Holy Ghost." **Charismatic Renewal – 1960 – mid 1980's. Full Gospel Businessmen.**

Then Brother Wigglesworth continued, "I see another move of God. I see auditoriums full of people, coming with notebooks. There will be a wave of teaching on faith and healing."

Word of Faith movement – mid 1970's – early 2000's.

Then he prophesied, "After that, after the third wave," he started sobbing. "I see the last day revival that's going to usher in the precious fruit of the earth. It will be the greatest revival this world has ever seen! It's going to be a wave of the gifts of the Spirit. The ministry gifts will be flowing on this planet earth. I see hospitals being emptied out, and they will bring the sick to the churches where they allow the Holy Ghost to move."

Prophet

Behavioral Characteristics

- Sees things black and white
- Enjoys new things
- Not maintainers
- Verbally expressive
- Extremely opinionated
- Takes initiative to judge others
- Can be compulsive
- Shifts gears very quickly
- Fiercely competitive, cut throat
- Must make sense out of everything
- Doesn't maintain past relationships well, once they have moved on
- Passion for excellence (in themselves and everyone else)

Examples in Scripture

Elijah, Peter, Ezekiel

Servant

Behavioral Characteristics

- Sees external needs and makes an effort to meet them
- Concerned about the comfort of others
- Gets over busy, can't say no easily to people
- Few enemies
- Extends honor to others
- Loyal – fierce anger when close friends or family are hurt (not necessarily angry when they themselves are hurt)
- Attracts dishonor like a magnet – especially in the home
- In games and sports, very, very competitive
- Doesn't like public attention or recognition
- Have absolutely no desire to make a name for themselves, or build their own Kingdom, no selfish ambition

Examples in Scripture

Esther, Joseph (husband of Mary), Barnabas, Timothy

Teacher

Behavioral Characteristics

- Needs to validate truth
- Accuracy is absolutely vital
- Procrastinates
- Makes new decisions slowly, safely; frustrates visionaries
- Safe person emotionally
- Calm in crisis
- Loves pure doctrine – Greek, Hebrew...searching out truth
- Great sense of humor, practical joker
- Profound loyalty to leaders (Samuel to Saul) (Luke to Paul)
- Willing to die for convictions

Examples in Scripture

Daniel, Luke, Isaiah, Samuel, Ezra, Mary (mother of Jesus)

Exhorter

Behavioral Characteristics

- Party waiting for someplace to happen
- Very busy, hardworking, diligent
- See large, wants to effect larger numbers of people
- Horizontal focus – no stranger – cracks the code to people
- Inspire people

- No relational barriers – can cross economic, racial, religious lines and build relationships
- Strong anointing for evangelism – master communicator of all the gifts
- **Determined**
- Can reconcile groups of people in cities because of their tactfulness and sensitivity to people's feeling

Examples in Scripture

Moses, Jeremiah, Apostle Paul

Giver

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)
- Deeply committed to family
- Have a heart for evangelism, but do not generally want to "pick the fruit"
- Money and favor come to them
- Can sustain tense relationships without bringing them to closure

Examples in Scripture

Abraham, Jacob, Job, Matthew

Ruler

Behavioral Characteristics

- Early, on time
- Natural leaders
- Good administrators, can break down a vision into incremental steps
- Thrives under pressure, (if pressure is removed they put on themselves)
- Skilled at time management – people think they are too busy, but they are as busy as they want to be
- Extremely concerned about loyalty, more than competence
- Doesn't need affirmation to do their job, is not manipulated by flattery
- Always want things to be bigger and better, i.e., buildings, programs, etc
- Can employ and work with imperfect people – can also bring out the best in these people (this is in direct contrast to the natural Prophet who has a hard time getting past people's shortcomings)
- Not spontaneous (doesn't change schedules and plans easily)
- Has really high standards in all they do

Examples in Scripture

Noah, Boaz, Solomon, Nehemiah, Joseph

Mercy

Behavioral Characteristics

- Has few enemies, gets along w/ everyone
- Make people feel accepted and safe
- Most sensitive of all the gifts
- Sense when wounded and rejected people are in the room
- High level of excellence, unmatched organizational skills
- Designed by God for intimacy, which transcends to the physical – needs hugs and touch
- Has easy access to the presence of God.
- Slow to make transition, not because of the will, but of emotional processing
- Doesn't like confrontation, designed to bring comfort
- Stubborn (in the nicest way)

Examples in Scripture

Adam, David, John the Apostle, Ruth

Executive Decision

Prophet – This is the right thing to do

Ruler – This will fit well into our system

Mercy – our people will really benefit

Hospital visit

Prophet - They will come to the person's bed and with compassion and yet with a sense of firmness, proceed to quote scriptures of truth regarding healing. "You should not be here, this is not right!"

Servant - they immediately start to fluff the pillows, tidy things up a bit, and ask, "Is there anything that I can do for you?"

Teacher - they walk up to the bed and begin to ask questions like: "What did the doctor say was wrong? Did you get a second opinion on the diagnosis?" What they desire is information, so that they can add their assessment.

Exhorter - they begin by telling stories that might cheer the person up. Everything that the patient says, reminds the exhorter of another story, and both laugh the time away.

Giver - they always come bearing a gift to encourage. It is usually something thoughtful, showing time has gone into its planning, presentation and timing of delivery. They desire for the patient to be reminded in a tangible way that they are loved.

Ruler - they take out a pad of paper and proceed to inquire of what needs to be done at the patient's home and family life. They will check on the insurance of the patient, the doctor's advice, and how all the pieces must fit together in the next weeks of the person's life. By the time the ruler leaves, there is a clear plan for the next season of the patient's life.

Mercy - they begin to softly weep with compassion, seeing their loved one in such a state. They will come close and comfort them, wiping their forehead and speaking soft words of sympathy. They will stay endless hours to keep the patient company, supporting in any way possible.

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.