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# Gifts of the Spirit



## Opening worship

Read **Psalm 139** together for your opening worship. This psalm praises God for making each one of us exactly as he wishes us to be.

## Review of spiritual gifts

Review what you have learned about spiritual gifts thus far:

What is a spiritual gift?

Who possesses gifts of the Spirit?

Agree or disagree with his statement: Every Christian possesses at least one gift of the Spirit that is above and beyond the work that the Spirit does in all Christians.

Does everyone possess the same gifts?

Are some gifts greater than others? Explain your answer.

## For discussion

Have spiritual gifts ever been given to non-believers? (See 1 Samuel 19:23,24.)

Make a list of problems or misuses that might arise from spiritual gifts:

How can each of these problems be overcome by a proper understanding of spiritual gifts?

Go around the table and give everyone the opportunity to share feedback with one another. What spiritual gifts do you see given to the Christians around the table? What spiritual gifts do you see in yourself? What spiritual gifts do others see in you? As you do this exercise, remember: (1) Spiritual gifts are not natural talents. (2) Spiritual gifts are present wherever Christians are found. (3) Called workers do not have a monopoly on spiritual gifts. Gifts of the Spirit are given to all Christians. (4) A list of spiritual gifts compiled from passages we've studied may be helpful in identifying these gifts in yourself and others.

