

**Today's Focus:**  
**The Giving of the Holy Spirit**  
**(The Gift of Tongues)**

**What happened?**

Act 2:1-18; Act 2:37-39, Acts 8:14-18, Acts 10:44-46, Acts 11:15-17, Acts 19:1

**Can it happen today?**

John 3:5, Ephesians 1:13-14, 2 Corinthians 1:22, 1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-11, 12-27, 1 Peter 4:10-11, Romans 12:6-8, 1 Corinthians 13:1-3, 1 Corinthians 14:1-5, 14-15

**How did it happen?**

Acts 1:12-14

- The disciples **WAITED** in the **PROMISES** of Jesus.
- The disciples **WAITED** in **PRAYER**.

**Next Steps:**

- ☐ Did you pray and give your life to Jesus for the first time today? Email us at [pastorneil@covenantfamilychapel.org](mailto:pastorneil@covenantfamilychapel.org)
- ☐ Help Covenant Family Chapel reach more people by sending this message and the notes to someone.
- ☐ Visit <https://www.covenantfamilychapel.org> to listen to another message or listen on WFMD 930AM Radio station in Frederick on Sundays Mornings at 9:30 am and WWNL 1080AM & 103.9FM on Fridays at 3 pm in Pittsburg (PA, OHIO, MD, and WEST VIRGINIA). Thank You

# Growth Group Study Questions

For the week of February 26, 2023

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## QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time, that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

## MY EXPERIENCES

1. There can be a lot of confusion about spiritual gifts in churches today, especially with the gifts like miracles, healing, and the speaking of tongues. Has your understanding of spiritual gifts changed over time? If so, explain how.
2. What has been the biggest influence on your understanding of spiritual gifts?

## DIGGING DEEPER

1. God has given all His followers unique gifts and abilities that He wants us to use to serve Him and others. What are one or two gifts or abilities you think you have? Jot it down.
2. Read the following lists of spiritual gifts. Write down the guidelines and insights you see regarding using your gifts and abilities to benefit the kingdom of God.

### **1 Corinthians 12:8-11    New Century Version (NCV)**

*8 The Spirit gives one person the ability to speak with wisdom, and the same Spirit gives another the ability to speak with knowledge. 9 The same Spirit gives faith to one person. And, to another, that one Spirit gives gifts of healing. 10 The Spirit gives to another person the power to do miracles, to another the ability to prophecy. And he gives to another the ability to know the difference between good and evil spirits. The Spirit gives one person the ability to speak in different kinds of languages and to another the ability to interpret those languages. 11 One Spirit, the same Spirit, does all these things, and the Spirit decides what to give each person.*

### **Romans 12:6-8    New Century Version (NCV)**

*6 We all have different gifts, each of which came because of the grace God gave us. The person who has the gift of prophecy should use that gift in agreement with the faith. 7 Anyone who has the gift of serving should serve. Anyone who has the gift of teaching should teach. 8 Whoever has the gift of encouraging others should encourage. Whoever has the gift of giving to others should give freely. Anyone who has the gift of being a leader should try hard when he leads. Whoever has the gift of showing mercy to others should do so with joy.*

**1 Peter 4:10-11                      New Century Version (NCV)**

*10 Each of you has received a gift to use to serve others. Be good servants of God's various gifts of grace. 11 Anyone who speaks should speak words from God. Anyone who serves should serve with the strength God gives so that in everything God will be praised through Jesus Christ. Power and glory belong to him forever and ever. Amen.*

**1 Corinthians 12:28                      New Century Version (NCV)**

*28 In the church God has given a place first to apostles, second to prophets, and third to teachers. Then God has given a place to those who do miracles, those who have gifts of healing, those who can help others, those who are able to govern, and those who can speak in different languages.*

**Exodus 31:1-6                      New Century Version (NCV)**

*1 Then the Lord said to Moses, 2 "See, I have chosen Bezalel son of Uri from the tribe of Judah. (Uri was the son of Hur.) 3 I have filled Bezalel with the Spirit of God and have given him the skill, ability, and knowledge to do all kinds of work. 4 He is able to design pieces to be made from gold, silver, and bronze, 5 to cut jewels and put them in metal, to carve wood, and to do all kinds of work. 6 I have also chosen Oholiab son of Ahisamach from the tribe of Dan to work with Bezalel. I have given skills to all the craftsmen, and they will be able to make all these things I have commanded you:*

3. The example of Bezalel shows us that the Gift through the Holy Spirit is not limited to the church. Can you think of any ways you could use them in places other than our church (like your workplace, school, or home) to serve others?

4. What stands out to you the most from these four scripture passages?

## **HOMEWORK**

One of the keyways to find out what your gifts and abilities are, is to jump in and start serving. Below is just a sampling of the many ministries within Covenant Family Chapel where you could use your abilities. Are there any new service opportunities you need to consider (or reconsider) as a result of this week's study?

- ☐ Social Media
- ☐ Children's Ministries
- ☐ Connections: Coffee, Welcome Center
- ☐ Greeters, Ushers
- ☐ Security team
- ☐ Parking Ministry

- ☐ Prayer team (watchmen)
- ☐ Music Ministry
- ☐ Audio/Video team
- ☐ etc.

Ready to get involved?

- Go to <https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=21a2b560-31b6-4cdo-8706-9e47016ae708> to begin the process of volunteering.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

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## **THE ACTS CHALLENGE**

Do you want to get more out of Acts than just hearing it during the Sunday Morning Services? There are 28 chapters in Acts. Try reading or listening to a chapter a day for 28 days and see how it will grow your understanding in our series on the Book of Acts–Holy Spirit Infused Church.

