

How God Uses Our Gifts
Romans 12:6-8

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1. We are endowed by God with different gifts.
 - a. These gifts are “given to us by grace.” (v. 6)
 - b. These gifts were given by God to new believers in Christ.
2. Some of these gifts were used during the days of the apostles.
 - a. The miraculous gifts of the Spirit were only intended for a short time in history.
 - b. But many of the spiritual gifts were intended to continue to help servants be effective.

I. What Are The Gifts of Romans 12?

- A. Prophecy - the communication of revealed truth.
 1. **1 Corinthians 14:3**
- B. Serving - taking care of the needs of the hurting.
- C. Encouraging - means to “come along side and help.”
 1. **John 16:7**
- D. Leadership - literally means, “to stand before.”
 1. **1 Timothy 5:17**
- E. Mercy - these are acts of compassion.

II. These Gifts Produce Freedom.

- A. We have the freedom to initiate.
- B. We have the freedom to focus.
- C. We have the freedom of simplicity.
- D. We have the freedom to excel.

III. Use The Gift God Has Given You.

- A. If you have a serving gift, serve as best you can.
- B. If you have a speaking gift, make sure you speak God’s word.