

HALLMARKS  
*of a* BIBLICAL  
CHURCH MEMBER

**What Christ Requires  
of Every True Christian in His Church**



# HALLMARKS SCHEDULE

*Week 1 – Participating in Corporate Worship*

*Week 2 – Discovering Your Spiritual Giftedness*

*Week 3 – Sharing a Common Life*

# ACTS AND YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTEDNESS

1. The Ascension of Christ in Acts 1
2. The Coming of the Spirit in Acts 2

# DISCOVERING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTEDNESS

## I. Christ's Blueprint for the Church (Eph. 4:7–13)

# CHRIST'S BLUEPRINT FOR THE CHURCH

## EPHESIANS 4:7–13

1. Christ sovereignly distributes spiritual gifts to each member of His church (v. 7)
2. Christ appoints the leaders of each church (v. 11)
3. The leaders of the church are to equip the members to do the ministry of the church (v. 12).
4. The members do the ministry of the church (v. 12).
5. Following Christ's plan results in the spiritual growth of the church (v. 12).

“Not only has Christ given us His plan and structure for serving in the church, but He has also given each individual believer the means to do so. Christ has graciously given every believer spiritual gifts to use in serving one another in the church.”

TOM PENNINGTON, THREE HALLMARKS...

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Rom. 12:6-8	1 Cor. 12:8-10	1 Cor. 12:28-30	Eph. 4:11
Prophecy	Word of wisdom	Apostles	Apostles
Service	Word of knowledge	Prophets	Prophets
Teaching	Faith	Teachers	Evangelists
Exhortation	Healing	Miracles	Pastor-teachers
Giving	Miracles	Healings	
Leading	Prophecy	Helps	
Showing mercy	Distinguishing of spirits	Administrations	
	Tongues	Tongues	
	Interpretation of tongues	Interpretation of tongues (30)	

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- 1) Apostle (1 Cor. 12:28; Eph. 4:11)
- 2) Prophecy (Rom. 12:6; 1 Cor. 12:10, 28; Eph. 4:11)
- 3) Distinguishing of spirits (1 Cor. 12:10)
- 4) Word of wisdom (1 Cor. 12:8)
- 5) Word of knowledge (1 Cor. 12:8)

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## ii. For Confirmation

- 1) Miracles (1 Cor. 12:10, 28)
- 2) Healings (1 Cor. 12:9, 28)
- 3) Faith (1 Cor. 12:9)
- 4) Tongues or languages (1 Cor. 12:10, 28)
- 5) Interpretation of tongues or languages (1 Cor. 12:10, 30)



A BIBLICAL CASE FOR  
CESSATIONISM

WHY THE MIRACULOUS GIFTS  
OF THE SPIRIT HAVE ENDED

TOM PENNINGTON

FOREWORD BY JOHN MACARTHUR

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- 1) Teaching (Rom. 12:7; 1 Cor. 12:28)
- 2) Exhortation (Rom. 12:8)
- 3) Evangelism (Eph. 4:11)
- 4) Pastor-teacher (Eph. 4:11)

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ii. For Serving

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## ii. For Serving

- 1) Service or Helps (Rom. 12:7; 1 Cor. 12:28)
- 2) Giving (Rom. 12:8)
- 3) Leading/Administration (Rom. 12:8; 1 Cor. 12:28)
- 4) Showing Mercy (Rom. 12:8)

“Those eight, however, may not be exhaustive; they may simply represent the potential diversity of the Holy Spirit’s gifts. Regardless, the eight permanent edifying gifts are like a divine palette. It isn’t as if every person gets only one gift. Rather, the Holy Spirit takes those gifts and blends them as He sees fit for each believer. In other words, you have been given a special giftedness that has been uniquely crafted by the Holy Spirit.”

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## C. Discerning Your Gifts

- i. Ask the Lord for help
- ii. Be committed to corporate worship/Lord's day
- iii. Read, study, and meditate on Eph. 4, 1 Pet. 4, 1 Cor. 12, and Rom. 12.
  - Listen to Pastor Tom's sermon series *Gifted to Serve* (Rom. 12)
  - Read books on the subject (CBC Bookstore)
- iv. Seek the input and guidance of other believers at CBC
- v. Get busy serving in the life of CBC.

“Your pancreas didn’t have to take a three-page personality survey to determine what its gifts are and how it fits into the body. Thankfully, our bodies work because God made them to work. The same is true of our spiritual giftedness.”

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III. Christ's Requirement for the Church (1 Pet. 4:11)

A. Employ your giftedness

B. Serve with faithfulness

A. Speaking gifts—Scripture is your authority

B. Serving gifts—God is your strength

[Spiritual gifts] must be seen, heard, or in some manner experienced by at least one person other than the gifted one. The Giver never intended any spiritual gift for private purposes, and to the extent that one uses a gift that way, he or she abuses that given ability.”

**ROBERT L. THOMAS, UNDERSTANDING SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

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IV. Christ's Reward for the Church (Heb. 6:10)

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