

# Gifts? Me???

Discovering Some of the Gifts God has given me...

Answer these questions simply and honestly (this is not a pass/fail course!). Circle the appropriate number beside the question, then transfer that number to the tally sheet below.

Scoring: "Always!"- **4**; "Yes"-**3**; "Sometimes"-**2**; "Not Really"-**1**; "Never"-**0**

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| 1. I am a list maker.  | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 2. I am often moved when hearing others' stories.                | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 3. I try to vary my routines.                                    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 4. 'First impressions' are important to me.                      | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 5. I am delighted when I am able to tell about Jesus in my life. | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 6. I know God is present in my life, whatever the situation.     | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 7. I like being able to help someone out financially.            | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 8. I have been healed by God.                                    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 9. I enjoy making my guests as comfortable as possible.          | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 10. I find myself constantly praying for others.                 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 11. I am a 'take charge' person.                                 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 12. I have experienced firsthand mighty acts of God.             | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 13. I like to work hard to help accomplish a task.               | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 14. I find myself singing in the car/shower/morning/evening...   | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

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| 15. I know that there are higher standards than my own.                  | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 16. I enjoy when someone grasps a new idea; when 'the light goes on'.    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 17. I have experienced prayer in another language.                       | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 18. I often know 'just what to say' in a situation.                      | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 19. I craft words well.  | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 20. I like to have a 'plan of action'.                                   | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 21. I enjoy simply spending time with someone who is hurting.            | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 22. I like to test and experiment with new things.                       | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 23. I often have a 'sixth sense' about a person or situation.            | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 24. I can hardly wait to share my joy in the Lord.                       | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 25. I have a strong 'determined' streak.                                 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 26. I am deeply aware of how much God has blessed me.                    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 27. I have seen God heal others.   | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 28. I like sending 'thank-you' cards.                                    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 29. People often ask me to pray for them.                                | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 30. People look to me to make decisions in a group.                      | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 31. I know of lives changed by God's direct touch.                       | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 32. I take satisfaction in 'the work of my hands'.                       | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 33. I find myself moved by music.  | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 34. I am upset when I encounter injustice.                               | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 35. I can usually help someone understand a new concept.                 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 36. I can lose myself in praise of God.                                  | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 37. I sometimes have the sense that God is giving me precise directions. | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 38. I enjoy communicating in a precise manner.                           | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

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| 39. I am much more comfortable when I get things ‘organized’.  | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 40. I find myself supporting and caring for those in crises.   | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 41. I like to express myself in artistic and creative ways.    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 42. I am aware when things just ‘seem right’.                  | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 43. I feel for those who do not know Jesus.                    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 44. God’s promises are greater than my fear.                   | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 45. I am quick to respond to someone’s financial need.         | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 46. I want to pray when I encounter illness.                   | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 47. People turn to me to help with social events.              | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 48. I have a lengthy prayer list.                              | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 49. I have a strong sense of responsibility.                   | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 50. I have seen God step directly into a situation.            | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 51. I find myself doing ‘whatever needs to be done’.           | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 52. I enjoy making music.                                      | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 53. I sometimes ‘blurt out’ truthful words.                    | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 54. People often come to me to have something explained.       | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 55. My prayer can be too deep for words.                       | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 56. I have been asked by God to tell someone a specific thing. | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| 57. I enjoy feedback from my audience.                         | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |

Discovering your gifts: Transfer your scores from these questions onto the lines below. Add your scores from the three questions concerning the particular gift described. Make note of the three or four highest scores. Your highest scores will point you in the direction of your primary gifts. Others gifts may lie waiting to be discovered when needed. This “quiz” is yours to keep, although you may want to make a note of your gifts in your spiritual journal and talk with your priest.

Tally Your Scores Here:  
(write your scores below)

Indicates a gift of:

Possible Ministry Areas at St. Helen's:  
Worship Discipleship Stewardship Outreach Community

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| 1.  | 20. | 39. | Total | <b>Administration - making sure things get organized</b><br>1 Corinthians 12:28, Acts 14:23, Titus 3:8                              | * | * | * | * |
| 2.  | 21. | 40. | Total | <b>Compassion/Pastoral Care - your heart responds to other's pain</b><br>Luke 7:12-15, Luke 10:30-37, Matthew 25:34-40.             | * |   | * | * |
| 3.  | 22. | 41. | Total | <b>Creative/Artistic Expression - media meet imagination</b><br>Exodus 30: 1-6; 31:1-11, Psalm 149:3a, Ezekiel 27:4-11.             | * |   | * | * |
| 4.  | 23. | 42. | Total | <b>Discernment - 'gut reactions' work for you</b><br>John 16:6-15, Romans 9:1, 1 Corinthians 2:9-16.                                | * |   |   | * |
| 5.  | 24. | 43. | Total | <b>Evangelism - you are bursting with Jesus</b><br>Matthew 28:16-20, Ephesians 4:11-16, Acts 2:36-40.                               | * | * | * | * |
| 6.  | 25. | 44. | Total | <b>Faith - things are not always as they seem: God is still in charge</b><br>Genesis 12:1-4a, Mark 5:25-34, 1 Thessalonians 1:8-10. | * |   | * | * |
| 7.  | 26. | 45. | Total | <b>Generosity - it really is God's money!</b><br>2 Corinthians 9:6-15, Luke 21:1-4, Malachi 3:10.                                   | * |   | * | * |
| 8.  | 27. | 46. | Total | <b>Healing - God's healing surrounds you</b><br>Acts 5: 12-16, 1 Corinthians 12: 9, James 5: 13-16.                                 | * |   | * | * |
| 9.  | 28. | 47. | Total | <b>Hospitality - please be my guest</b><br>Romans 12:13, Romans 16:23a, Luke 10:38.   | * |   | * | * |
| 10. | 29. | 48. | Total | <b>Intercession - bringing others to God in prayer</b><br>Matthew 6:6-18, Luke 11:1-13, Ephesians 6:18.                             | * | * | * | * |
| 11. | 30. | 49. | Total | <b>Leadership - responsibility, teamwork, authority</b><br>Romans 12:8, John 21:15-17, 1 Timothy 4:12-16.                           | * |   | * | * |
| 12. | 31. | 50. | Total | <b>Miracles/Deeds of Power - explosions of God's Kingdom</b><br>1 Corinthians 12: 27-31, Acts 4: 29-31, Acts 8: 5-8.                | * | * | * | * |

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| 13. | 32. | 51. | Total | <b>Ministry of Service - 'hands-on' physical service</b><br>Luke 23:50-54, Romans 16:1-16, Philippians 2:19-23.           |   | * | * | * |
| 14. | 33. | 52. | Total | <b>Music - the language of melody and harmony</b><br>Psalm 96:1-9, Psalm 149:1-5, Psalm 33:1-5.                           | * |   |   | * |
| 15. | 34. | 53. | Total | <b>Prophecy - speaking the mind of God</b><br>Proverbs 29: 18, Romans 12: 4-8, 1Corinthians 14: 1-4,22-25.                |   | * | * |   |
| 16. | 35. | 54. | Total | <b>Teaching/Exhortation - getting the message across</b><br>1 Corinthians 12:28, Matthew 5, Acts 18:24-48.                | * |   | * | * |
| 17. | 36. | 55. | Total | <b>Tongues/Interpretation - languages of prayer and praise</b><br>1 Corinthians 14, Mark 16: 15-18, Acts 10: 44-48.       | * | * |   |   |
| 18. | 37. | 56. | Total | <b>Words of Wisdom/Knowledge - 'snapshots' from God</b><br>1 Corinthians 12:8; 1 Corinthians 2:6-13, 2 Chronicles 1:7-11. | * | * |   |   |
| 19. | 38. | 57. | Total | <b>Writing/Speaking - using words for God's purposes</b><br>1 John 2:1-6,12-14, 1 Timothy 3:14-15, Jude 3.                | * | * | * | * |

Using your gifts at St. Helen's:

All of us have been given gifts by God. Yet each of us is unique, differing from one another in fascinating ways. The gifts that are mentioned in Scripture are usually called "spiritual gifts", and the little quiz above is meant to show that all of us have some of them. There are many other gifts which are not examined here, such as celibacy or martyrdom, or even not-particularly-biblical gifts such as driving skills or computer literacy. This quiz is meant to pique your curiosity and is not a scientifically provable theory. All of us are given different gifts in order to help the Body of Christ thrive and grow. All of us are important in the life of that Body, and we all can derive great satisfaction and purpose when we exercise those gifts together. Enjoy!