

THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit & Scripture: *Miraculous Spiritual Gifts*

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Per Jesus' Promise, the Holy Spirit Would Serve Several Purposes:

- Comfort and guide the apostles (John 14:26)
- Convict the world of sin (John 15:26-27)
- Build upon the work of Christ (John 16:14)

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MIRACULOUS SPIRITUAL GIFTS

What is a miracle?

A miracle is an event which the forces of nature—including the natural powers of man—cannot of themselves produce, and which must, therefore, be referred to a supernatural agency (George P. Fisher, Manual of Christian Evidences, 9).

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They were public (John 20:30-31; Acts 2:22; 3:16).

They were instant (Acts 3:6-8; Mark 2:12).

They were thorough (Acts 3:16; John 7:23).

They were validating (Heb. 2:1-4).

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Two Examples:

The Samaritans – Acts 8:1-19
The Twelve in Ephesus – Acts 19:1-7

1 Corinthians 12

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1 Corinthians 12:9-11:

Word of wisdom	Prophecy
Word of knowledge	Discerning of spirits
Faith	Different kinds of tongues
Gifts of healings	The interpretation of tongues
Working of miracles	

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**Conferred by the Holy Spirit,
through the laying on of the apostles' hands**
(Acts 8:12-22; Romans. 1:11; 2 Tim. 1:6)

Temporary by design
(cf. 1 Cor. 13:8-12)

Therefore, miraculous spiritual gifts do not exist today.

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