



YOUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH AND CALLING

At St. Thomas we are committed to helping you grow spiritually. One way we do this is by helping you discover your spiritual gifts.

What Are Spiritual Gifts?

Spiritual gifts are unique endowments from the Holy Spirit, generously shared with Christians in community for building up the body of Christ.

Spiritual gifts are God's empowerment of God's people. Every Christian has at least one unique spiritual gift waiting to be discovered - usually more. People can find deep meaning and experience powerful joy when they discover and use their gifts.

What Is God's Will for Your Life?

Have you ever wondered what God wants you to do with your life? By learning about your spiritual gifts, you can recognize your deepest passions and strongest capabilities given to you by the Holy Spirit.

One Body. Many Parts.

The Church is Christ's body. Every member of the Church is a part of that body. We need to affirm each person's spiritual gifts to keep Christ's body thriving.

The course begins on Monday, March 20
and will meet each Monday
from 5:30-8:00 p.m.
through April 10.



To register for the course
Discovering God's Vision for Your Life:

You and Your Spiritual Gifts,

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Discovering God's Vision for Your Life: *You and Your Spiritual Gifts*

SPIRITUAL GIFT DISCOVERY AT

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*To each is given the manifestation of the
spirit for the common good.
(1 Corinthians 12:7)*



WHY DISCOVER YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS?

You will receive many benefits from learning about or spiritual gifts, such as:

- ◆ Deepened spirituality
- ◆ Self-understanding
- ◆ Freedom from “shoulds” and “oughts”
- ◆ Self-acceptance
- ◆ Congruence
- ◆ Decisiveness
- ◆ Self-esteem
- ◆ Joy
- ◆ Fulfillment
- ◆ A sense of purpose and direction
- ◆ Renewed gratitude to God
- ◆ Greater satisfaction in your life and ministry
- ◆ Greater awareness of how each person helps build up Christ’s body
- ◆ Enthusiasm for involvement in ministry

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed.....There are varieties of gifts.....activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses. (1 Corinthians 12: 1, 4, 11)



A COMPLETE COURSE

Our congregation is offering the eight-hour course *Discovering God's Vision for Your Life: You and Your Spiritual Gifts* to help people find their gifts and fully understand God’s call.

Over the course of these sessions, participants will find clues to their gifts through the *Haugk Spiritual Gifts Inventory* and a variety of other activities.

March 20 (5:30-8:00 p.m.)

Module 1: What Does God Want Me to Do with My Life?

Module 2: Who Am I?

March 27 (5:30-8:00 p.m.)

Module 3: What Makes Me Unique?

Module 4: Unwrapping Your Gifts Package

April 3 (5:30-8:00 p.m.)

Module 5: Spiritual Gifts in the Spotlight

Module 6: Love Personified

April 10 (5:30-8:00 p.m.)

Module 7: Your Calling

Module 8: God’s Vision and Your Vision Coming Together

Here are some examples of course content:

- * Love: The Heart of Spiritual Gifts
- * The Jesus Connection
- * Gifts, Offices, Functions, and Fruit of the Spirit
- * Spiritual Gifts and Burnout Prevention
- * The Deep Spirituality of Spiritual Gifts
- * Who are the Gifted People?
- * How Permanent Are Spiritual Gifts?
- * Spiritual Gifts and Your Life’s Work



BIBLICAL THEMES IN THE COURSE

- ◆ Body of Christ
- ◆ Christian vocation and calling
- ◆ Community
- ◆ Discipleship
- ◆ Encouragement
- ◆ Equipping the saints for ministry
- ◆ Fruit of the Spirit
- ◆ Gifts of the Spirit
- ◆ Grace
- ◆ Hope
- ◆ Humility
- ◆ Incarnation
- ◆ Love
- ◆ Ministry
- ◆ Self-esteem
- ◆ Servanthood
- ◆ Spiritual growth
- ◆ Spirituality
- ◆ Stewardship
- ◆ Unity and diversity

We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us. (Romans 12:6)