

Grace Valley Bible Church  
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Study: 2025 Spiritual Gifts (11)

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### **Lesson: GIFT OF PROPHECY DONE AWAY**

**Last time** we met to study Spiritual Gifts, we studied Gift of Tongues Ceasing. **This lesson** will study the Gift of Prophecy being done away during the church age.

Paul opened **1 Cor.14** with the importance of prophecy over tongues in church assembly.

*“But one who **prophesies** speaks to men for **edification and exhortation and consolation.**” (14:3-4/ Main purpose of assembly/ 2 Pet.3:18.)*

*“So also you, since you who are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek to abound for the **edification of the church.**” (14:12)*

This lesson will study SEVEN aspects of Gift of Prophecy Done Away during the Church Age.

1. Our lesson text opens with the following statement about assembly worship: “So then **tongues** are (eimi/ p.a.ind.3pl) a sign (semeon), **not to** those who believe **but to** unbelievers; but **prophecy** ( ~~is for a sign~~), **not to** unbeliever **but to** those who believe.” (14:22)

We learned that the Corinthian Church was having problems between **two sets of spiritual gifts causing disorder in assembly meetings**: between **tongues and interpretation** of tongues and between **prophecy and discerning spirit** (1 Cor.14).

2. In 1 Cor.14:23-26, Paul shows the problem of how **two sets** were causing disorder with believers and with unbelievers.

Paul points out that in **assembly meeting** things need to be done in an orderly manner – “Let all things be done for **edification** (14:26b);” “For God is not a God of **confusion but of peace**, as in all the churches of the saints (14:33);” and “But all things must be **done properly and in an orderly manner** (14:40).”

3. In 1 Cor.12:8-10, we learned that Paul established four sets of 9 spiritual gifts that would either Cease or Be Done Away.

1<sup>st</sup> set – Word of wisdom and Word of knowledge according to the Spirit (12:8).

2<sup>nd</sup> set – Different faith and Gifts of healing and Effects of miracles same Spirit (12:9-10a).

3<sup>rd</sup> set – Prophecy and Distinguishing spirits (12:10b).

4<sup>th</sup> set – Different tongues and Interpretation of tongues (12:10c).

4. In Cor.13:8-10, we learned these nine gifts would **either cease or be done away** during the Church Age (1 Cor.12-14).

We learned that **Tongues and Interpretation set CEASED in 70AD** with Rome putting Israel under the 5<sup>th</sup> Cycle of divine discipline. *"If (1cc/ true/) there are tongues, (then true) they will cease."* (13:8/ set). 1 Cor.1:22 – **"Jews ask for signs and Greeks search for wisdom."**

Leaving the other **seven gifts** listed in 1 Cor.12:8-10 under **DONE AWAY**.

5. Paul referred to these **seven gifts** as **Partial Gifts**. *"But when **the perfect** comes, **the partial** will be done away (1 Cor.13:10)."*

Since we know tongues and interpretation are the only set listed to CEASE, it puts these 7 gifts **DONE AWAY** by being **Partials** incorporated into **The Perfect** (1 Cor.13:8-10).

Notice that when Paul **pulled out one Spiritual Gift (tongues)**, the set would **CEASE**. When Paul **pulled out two more gifts out**, the other sets were **DONE AWAY** (*prophecy, knowledge/ different faith / 13:8*). The Last SEVEN Spiritual Gifts were **DONE AWAY**.

6. The seven **DONE AWAY** Spiritual Gifts were identified in **1 Cor.13:9-10** - **"For we KNOW in part, and we PROPHECY in part; but when the PERFECT comes, the PARTIAL will be done away."**

**Note the Neuter:** The **partial** (merous/ abl.s. **neuter**) is part of **THE PERFECT** (to teleion/ n.s.**neuter**/ complete/ 13:10).

The Part (ek/ ek+ablative of separation) will be done away. **Doctrinal Point:** The partial (gifts) did not co-exist with the Perfect (Jas 1:25/ perfect/ teleion law of liberty/ **New Covenant Canon (NC) Scriptures/ 100AD**).

**When the Perfect comes** (erchomai/ a.a.subj.3ps), then these seven gifts would be **DONE AWAY** (katargeo/ f. passive ind.3ps). The **PERFECT** would complete (teleion) the partial. The 7 gifts would be incorporated into the perfect NC Scriptures.

**7. The PERFECT** is the canonization of the New Covenant Scriptures of 27 Books of the NT.

The **four sets** consist of nine spiritual gifts that were necessary in the early Apostolic days of the Church for at least THREE REASONS:

- Sign of coming of 5<sup>th</sup> Cycle of divine discipline to Israel (tongues set/ 70 AD/ Lev.26).
- Canonization of New Covenant Scriptures (prophecy set/ 100AD).
- Apostolic period of establishing the Church of Jesus Christ in the world (19 Spiritual Gifts).