

DISCERNING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS

QUESTIONS

Answer each question according to the following scale, 1-4. Enter answers in the box.

1 = **Never** happens to me ... **Not significant** ... **Strongly disagree**

2 = Happens to me **sometimes** ... **May be significant** ... **Somewhat disagree**

3 = Happens to me **often** ... **Fairly significant** ... **Somewhat agree**

4 = Happens **all the time** ... **Definitely significant** ... **Strongly agree**

A	People tell me that I am very good with organizing events & activities. I can coordinate lots of details easily.		A
B	I have always enjoyed working with my hands. I like making something beautiful out of ordinary materials.		B
C	I'm compelled to reach out to those in distress, even strangers. I can't help but notice them.		C
D	I enjoy sharing my faith and talking about Christ with others.		D
E	I believe that God has a plan for my life, and I even carry that belief through difficult times.		E
F	I see everything in my life as a gift from God, and I am happy to share my blessings with others.		F
G	Caring for the pains of others makes me feel connected to the healing stories of Jesus.		G
H	I see how my assistance helps others achieve their goals, and it makes me smile.		H
I	When I am part of a group, new members feel that they easily fit in, because of how I welcomed them.		I
J	People tell me that my joyful spirit overflows and uplifts them.		J
K	When I was a child, I never stopped asking questions, especially about God and heaven. Why? Why?		K
L	From an early age, I could motivate others to get things done. I am a natural at it!		L
M	People feel safe talking to me about anything, especially their sins and faults.		M
N	When I sing or play music, I feel my heart open to God and my soul rejoices.		N
O	I know that God's time is not our time. Things don't just happen as fast as we want them to in today's world.		O
P	I have prayed for the needs of others and I have seen those prayers be answered by God.		P
Q	People tell me that they could listen to me talk all day. They feel the presence of God when I speak.		Q
R	When there is work to do, I can't just sit back. I have to get involved. I'm the "go to" reliable person.		R
S	People say that when I explain something complicated, like a religious truth, they can understand it better.		S
T	People came to me for insights even when I was young because I seemed "wise beyond my years."		T

Circle the letters (A-T) for the rows with your 3-5 highest numbers. Find those letters in the answer key on the next page to identify and describe your possible charisms (spiritual gifts).

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ANSWER KEY

This answer key identifies and describes your possible charisms (spiritual gifts). Look especially at the descriptions for the 3-5 letters (rows) with the highest scores from the previous page.

A	Administration	ability to provide organization by designing and carrying out an efficient plan of action
B	Art & Design	ability to enhance the world around and serve God's people through the use of hands, mind, imagination & creative activity
C	Encouragement	ability to encourage, comfort, challenge or confront others toward right action in such a way that they respond positively
D	Evangelizing	ability to share the Gospel with others in such a way that they become followers (disciples) of Jesus Christ
E	Faith	ability to trust God with extraordinary confidence that God will work out God's purposes in every situation
O	Generosity & Giving	ability to give freely and truly sacrificially of one's money, possessions or time for the sake of others
G	Healing	ability to serve as an instrument of God's healing presence to inspire remarkable physical, emotional & spiritual restoration
H	Helping	ability to minister behind the scenes in order to lift up and support another who is working to glorify God
I	Hospitality	ability to open one's home and heart freely, warmly and without reservation, even to strangers, to serve those being welcomed
J	Joy	ability to live the love of God that surpasses all suffering, showing an intimate connection to the Paschal Mystery & Resurrection joy
K	Knowledge	ability to discover, analyze and clarify information and ideas important to the well-being and growth of God's people
L	Leadership	ability to provide overall vision and motivate others to work together to turn that vision into a reality
M	Mercy & Forgiveness	ability to show great empathy and compassion for those who suffer physically, emotionally, or spiritually
N	Music	ability to create song, to sing, to arrange or perform music to praise God and move others to faith
O	Patience & Perseverance	ability to witness to the covenantal love of God through patience and perseverance in difficult times
P	Prayerfulness	ability to pray for extended periods of time on a regular basis and to see frequent and specific answers to prayer
Q	Prophecy	ability to proclaim God's presence so that hearers are moved to respond to a call from God to God's people
R	Service & Sacrifice	ability to identify unmet needs and to use whatever resources necessary to practically meet those needs
S	Teaching	ability to clearly and accurately enable others to learn information and skills that contribute to their growth in holiness
T	Wisdom	ability to receive inspiration from the Holy Spirit and to offer insightful advice and spiritual counsel