

Restoration Fellowship, Sunday, April 16th, 2026
Series: Spiritual Gifts: Gifts of Helps, Hospitality, and Administration

Main Idea: *The spiritual gifts of helps, hospitality and administration work together to reveal the kingdom of God.*

Main Verse: *Psalm 104*

I. The Gift of Helps: The Kingdom Going Out

Definition:

Helping is when you move outside of your sphere of life and enter into someone else's, helping in tangible, tactile, visible ways that bring support and aid. The spiritual gift of helps enables people to see practical things that need to be done for the purpose of bringing others to the feet of Jesus.

Verses:

- 1 Corinthians 12:28 — And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, next miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, leading, various kinds of tongues.
- Mark 2 and Luke 5, when Jesus heals a paralytic man.
- John 14:26 — But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.
- Others: Luke 10:30-37, Exodus 17:12, Acts 9:36

II. The Gift of Hospitality: The Kingdom Inviting In

Definition:

Hospitality in Greek means "*philoxenia*," which means "*love for the stranger*." In the context of spiritual gifts, hospitality invites those still living in slavery into places (like our home), where we can demonstrate what the kingdom of God is like through serving others, usually with a meal.

Verses:

- 1 Peter 4:8-11 — Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ.

- Leviticus 19:33-34 — When a foreigner resides with you in your land, **you must not oppress him**. You must treat the foreigner living among you as native-born and **love him as yourself**, for you were foreigners in the land of Egypt. I am the LORD your God.
- Hebrews 13:14 — For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.
- Others: Romans 12:13, Hebrews 13:2, 1 Peter 4:9

III. The Gift of Administration

Definition:

Administration is the process of getting something where it needs to go. In the context of spiritual gifts, administration is the process of getting what God has impressed on someone's heart out into the world for others to experience.

Verses:

- Psalm 94:14 — The Lord will not leave his people or abandon his heritage, for the **administration** of justice will again be righteous, and the upright in heart will follow it.
- Ephesians 3:2 — Assuming you have heard about the **administration** of God's grace that he gave me for you.
- Ephesians 3:8-9 — This grace was given to me — the least of all the saints — to proclaim to the Gentiles the incalculable riches of Christ, and to shed light for all about the **administration** of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things.
- Others: Luke 14:28-30, Acts 6:1-7, 1 Corinthians 12:28

Follow up questions for life groups and families:

1. When have you seen the gift of helps make a difference in someone's life?
2. What are some ways you can show hospitality within the spaces God has given you?
3. What does it say about Jesus that he spent so much time around the table with others? He had no home to invite others into, but his presence brought the power of the kingdom. How can we be hospitable like Jesus, even outside of our homes?
4. When have you seen the gift of administration make a difference in the fruitfulness of a church?