



## Is He Charismatic? Robert Morris

**Focus** Charisma is the instantaneous enablement of the Holy Spirit in the life of any believer to exercise a gift for the edification of others. There are nine gifts of the Spirit that can be broken into three categories.

**Fun** What are your favorite hobbies, or what do you love to do for fun? What is it about that activity you enjoy?

**Review** Key Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:1–11

- **The Holy Spirit is charismatic.**

The word “charismatic” comes from the Greek word “charisma,” which means “grace gift.” If you have a gift God gave you by grace, you are charismatic. 1 Corinthians 12:1 tells us not to be ignorant of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit has all nine gifts, and He manifests them through each one as He wills. Any believer can move in any of the gifts when they are empowered by the Holy Spirit. The gifts are to be used to bless other people.

- **The Discerning Gifts**

- Word of Knowledge: To know something specific without knowing it by natural means.
- Word of Wisdom: A divine answer or solution for a particular event.
- Discerning of Spirits: To be made aware of the presence of a demonic spirit.

- **The Declarative Gifts**
  - Prophecy: A message of encouragement from God to a person. It always brings edification, exhortation, and comfort to others.
  - Tongues: A message from God in a language unknown to the person through whom the message comes.
  - Interpretation of Tongues: Understanding and expressing the thought or the intent of the message in tongues. It is an interpretation, not a translation.
  
- **The Dynamic Gifts**
  - Faith: A supernatural impartation of belief and confidence for a specific situation.
  - Gifts of Healings: Supernatural endowments of divine health.
  - Working of Miracles: Divine intervention that alters our natural circumstances. God still does miracles today because He is a miraculous God.

**\*Group Dynamics Idea\*** There are many creative ways to incorporate prayer into your group. You can simply ask for prayer requests and people can offer to pray for each one; you can have people write prayer requests down and then draw names of who to pray for; or you can divide into groups of three or four to pray for each other. Praying for one another cultivates relationships and demonstrates you care.

- Discuss**
1. Read 1 Corinthians 12:1. Why would God want us to not be ignorant concerning spiritual gifts? How would lack of knowledge or misunderstanding inhibit us from being used by God?
  2. Can you think of a situation when you could have used a word of wisdom?
  3. Read 1 Corinthians 14:1. Why do you think the Bible specifically tells us to desire spiritual gifts? Why do you think there is the added emphasis on prophecy?
  4. Read 1 Corinthians 14:31. Prophecy is meant to bring exhortation, edification, and comfort. In what ways would a prophetic word bring encouragement? Have you ever received an encouraging prophetic word? If you feel comfortable, share with the group.

5. Have you ever received supernatural healing? If you feel comfortable, share the testimony with the group.
6. Why do you think Satan would try so hard to discredit the gifts of the Spirit?
7. How can we posture ourselves so the Holy Spirit can give us these gifts to bless others? What does a willing heart look like?

### **Take Home**

As we conclude, remember the following:

- The discerning gifts are words of knowledge, words of wisdom, and discernment of spirits.
- The declarative gifts are prophecy, tongues, and interpretation of tongues.
- The dynamic gifts are faith, gifts of healings, and working of miracles.

### **Prayer**

Heavenly Father, thank You for giving us the Holy Spirit who distributes all nine gifts. We are willing to be a blessing to others by allowing the Holy Spirit to work through us with His grace-gifts. In Jesus' name, Amen.

**\*New Leader Tip\*** You can extend your prayer time and care for one another by choosing one person or couple to pray for at the end of each group. You may want to have them sit in the center of the room and have the group gather around and pray over them. This is always a huge blessing to them and helps the group grow closer.