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# 1Corinthians 12 (NRSV)

12:1 Now concerning spiritual gifts (*pneumatikon*), brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. 2 You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. 3 Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

4 Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; 5 and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; 6 and there are varieties of activities (*energēmatōn*), but it is the same God who activates (*energōn*) all of them in everyone. 7 To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. 8 To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, 10 to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. 11 All these are activated (*energei*) by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

### **Great is thy faithfulness** Thomas Chisholm

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be.

Chorus: Great is Thy faithfulness, Great is Thy faithfulness, Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Thy hand hath provided Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide. Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

### **O for a thousand tongues to sing** Charles Wesley

O for a thousand tongues to sing, My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of His grace.

My gracious Master and my God, Assist me to proclaim, To spread through all the earth abroad, The honours of Thy name.

He breaks the power of canceled sin, He sets the prisoner free; His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me.

He speaks, and, listening to His voice, New life the dead receive, The mournful, broken hearts rejoice, The humble poor believe.

Jesus, the Name that charms our fears, That bids our sorrows cease; 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.

See all your sins on Jesus laid, The Lamb of God was slain, His soul was once an offering made, For every soul in pain.

Glory to God, and praise and love, Be ever, ever given, By saints below and saints above, The church in earth and heaven.



Introduction: Batteries and gifts •

- 1 Corinthians 12
  - Spiritual gifts come with the batteries included
  - Energy:
    - energei, energēmatōn, and energon

- To EACH one
  - Verses 7 and 11
  - There are no ungifted disciples
  - The Giver and the user's manual

#### Doxology Thomas Ken

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

The situation in Corinth

• Paul wants them to be informed about pneumatikon

The Holy Spirit gives AND activates/energizes

Corinth's polytheism: many gods

The One God: many gifts

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