

Series: 1 Corinthians (Jesus Above All Things)

Sermon: Love Amplifies Spiritual Gifts

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God gives believers _____, manifestations of the Holy Spirit, to benefit the _____.

I must always use my Spiritual gifts _____.

The Thessalonians labored (intense serving, to the point of _____, with their maximum effort), but they did it because they _____ and _____ people! That was their motivation and Paul commended them for it!

I must, like the Thessalonians, serve and _____ in God's Church using my Spiritual gifts, but even if I'm enabled by the Holy Spirit to do something powerful, I still must _____.

Like salt, God's love brings out **THE _____ OF HIS GIFTS IN ME!!!**

Note: a better understanding than "love keeps no record of wrongs" would be to say, "love doesn't become _____ because I won't keep rolling the wrong things around in my head."

Practical Application:

To use my gift with love, I gotta know when the Spirit is using me. But rather than taking a Spiritual gifts test I can: find what the _____ and help, seek advice from my _____ and Spiritual leaders, find where God often puts you, and sometimes just get out there and do stuff to _____ with it!

I must apply love (kindness/patience/rejoicing in truth) to my gifts. So, if I think God is using me it's important to periodically _____ and ask myself, "Am I doing this out of love?" _____, calendar reminders, and jerk friends can help.

How to love: if I have issues being _____, work on kindness because that's part of love. If I have issues with avoidance or being passive-aggressive, work _____, because that's part of love.

Our Church, as _____, must work on these things together. From serving in RevoKids, to HeBrews, the Five-Minute Team, Worship team and every other team and person out there, when we

are all using our gifts and abilities – **flavored by love** – this Church will change the world, *and*

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