

## WELCOME

### Our Mission is to . . .

- Connect you to Jesus
- Connect you to His community for discipleship
- Connect you to your mission and purpose in life

We are not here to tell you what to wear, eat, listen to, vote for, or even believe. These are things you must determine for yourself if you want to have real faith. We are here to give you truth, facts, tools and point out that every choice, every belief, and every action you make is tied to an outcome in your life. You can't do life without developing a strong foundation and becoming a person of substance. This is your journey, your discovery, and you will reap the benefit of the work you do.

**FHNew** - Our mission as a church is to do everything we can to help you grow your faith. If you would like to get to know us a little better or begin or continue your journey of faith, speak to an elder or staff member or **contact Foothills** at **208-853-0011** and we will send you a link to a few short videos about Foothills Church. Or for more information, stop by the **Connection booth in the Atrium**.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Fill out a **Connect card** using the QR code on the screen or the actual card on the seat back in front of you. Place your prayer request in the ORANGE offering box in the back of the Sanctuary. You can also send a prayer request using this form: [Prayer Request - Foothills Church](#). The staff and volunteers pray over these weekly.

**FHBaptism** - One important step in your faith journey is being baptized. To learn more about baptism, speak to an elder or staff member or **contact Foothills** at **208-853-0011** and we will send you the teaching on Believers' Baptism.

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## ONGOING/UPCOMING

- MomCo - [Foothills MomCo - Foothills Church \(churchcenter.com\)](#)
- Small Groups - [Foothills Church \(churchcenter.com\)](#)
- KidMin Volunteers needed – Contact Pastor Steve Botsford at [steve@foothills.org](mailto:steve@foothills.org)
- MOMENTUM: Find out more here [Momentum | Foothills Christian Church](#)

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## SPIRITUAL GIFTS...AN ACCURATE BIBLICAL UNDERSTANDING

Pastor Trent Renner

The apostle Paul wrote to the Corinthians, *"Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed"* 1 Corinthians 12:1 (NRSV)



You shouldn't concern yourself too much trying to pick your spiritual gift before you use it

- Don't worry about whether you can point to prophecy, or teaching, or wisdom, or knowledge, or healing, or miracles, or mercy, or administration, etc., and say, "That's my gift."

**The way to think of it**

- The reason we have spiritual gifts is so that we can strengthen other people's faith: here is someone whose faith is in jeopardy -- how can I help him?
- Then do or say what seems most helpful

**The most important thing is becoming the kind of person who wakes up in the morning, thanks God for your salvation, and then says,**

- *"Lord, I want to strengthen people's faith today. Please, by the end of this day help me help somebody be more confident of your promises and more joyful in your grace because I crossed their path."*

**When you become this kind of person, the Holy Spirit will not let your desires go to waste**

- He will help you find ways to strengthen the faith of others, and that will be the best use of your willingness

**Let's apply ourselves to becoming the kind of people  
who are driven to strengthen each other's faith.**

**SPIRITUAL GIFTS ARE FOR STRENGTHENING OTHERS**

**Romans 1:11-12 (NLT)** *"For I long to visit you so I can bring you some spiritual gift that will help you grow strong in the Lord. When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours."*

**Romans 12:3-13 (NLT)** *"Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us. Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other."*

*In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophecy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging... If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.*

*Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble,*

*and keep on praying. When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality."*

**1 Peter 4:10-11 NLT** *"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen."*

**To strengthen someone by a spiritual gift means to help their faith not give way when trouble enters their life.**

- We have spiritual gifts to help people keep the faith and maintain strength in life's storms
- If there is anybody around you whose faith is being threatened, a mature follower of Jesus can embody a spiritual gift suited to strengthen that person

**SUMMARY: The aim of all spiritual gifts is "that in everything God might be glorified through Jesus Christ" 1 Peter 4:11**

- God's aim in giving us gifts and in giving us the faith to exercise them, is that HIS glory might be displayed
- He wants us and the world to marvel at HIM and to think HE is fantastic!

## **SPIRITUAL GIFTS**

<b><u>Romans 12</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encouragement</li> <li>• Giving</li> <li>• Leadership</li> <li>• Mercy</li> <li>• Prophecy</li> <li>• Service</li> <li>• Teaching</li> </ul>	<b><u>1 Corinthians 12</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administration</li> <li>• Discernment</li> <li>• Healing</li> <li>• Interpretation of Languages</li> <li>• Languages</li> <li>• Prophecy</li> <li>• Wisdom</li> <li>• Apostle</li> <li>• Faith</li> <li>• Helps</li> <li>• Knowledge</li> <li>• Miracles</li> <li>• Teaching</li> </ul>	<b><u>Ephesians 4</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apostle</li> <li>• Pastor</li> <li>• Teacher</li> <li>• Evangelist</li> <li>• Prophecy</li> </ul> <b><u>1 Peter 4</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Serving</li> <li>• Teaching</li> </ul>
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## **JESUS' ULTIMATE WILL...WHAT IS IT?**

**Matthew 25:31-46** *"But when the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit upon his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered in his presence, and he will*

*separate the people as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep at his right hand and the goats at his left.*

*“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. For I was hungry, and you fed me. I was thirsty, and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger, and you invited me into your home. I was naked, and you gave me clothing. I was sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me.’*

*“Then these righteous ones will reply, ‘Lord, when did we ever see you hungry and feed you? Or thirsty and give you something to drink? Or a stranger and show you hospitality? Or naked and give you clothing? When did we ever see you sick or in prison and visit you?’*

*And the King will say, ‘I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!’*

*“Then the King will turn to those on the left and say, ‘Away with you, you cursed ones, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his demons. For I was hungry, and you didn’t feed me. I was thirsty, and you didn’t give me a drink. I was a stranger, and you didn’t invite me into your home. I was naked, and you didn’t give me clothing. I was sick and in prison, and you didn’t visit me.’ Then they will reply, ‘Lord, when did we ever see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and not help you?’ “And he will answer, ‘I tell you the truth, when you refused to help the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were refusing to help me.’ “And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous will go into eternal life.” **Matthew 25:31-46***

**Matthew 7:21-23** *“Not everyone who calls out to me, ‘Lord! Lord!’ will enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Only those who actually do the will of my Father in heaven will enter. On judgment day many will say to me, ‘Lord! Lord! We prophesied in your name and cast out demons in your name and performed many miracles in your name.’ But I will reply, ‘I never knew you. Get away from me, you who break God’s laws.”*

**John 6:38-40 NLT** *“For I have come down from heaven to do the will of God who sent me, not to do my own will. And this is the will of God, that I should not lose even one of all those he has given me, but that I should raise them up at the last day. For it is my Father’s will that all who see his Son and believe in Him should have eternal life. I will raise them up at the last day.”*