

## Important Questions

- What does the Bible say about speaking in tongues?
- Are there still prophets today, like there were in the Bible?
- What about the gift of supernatural and miraculous healing?

# I Corinthians 13 is not primarily about love; it is about spiritual gifts.



#### **Teaching Lessons**

1 Corinthians 13:8-13

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#### Lessons about spiritual gifts:

- 1. Every Christian has been given one or more spiritual gifts to be exercised in the local church (the body of Christ) for the spiritual growth and health of the body (members).
- 2. It is a <u>supreme joy of life</u> to discover what your gifts are and then pour yourself out to others through these gifts.

### **Gift Categories**

**1. Miraculous Gifts** (supernatural) ... healing, performing miracles, speaking in tongues, prophecy

#### 2. Natural Gifts

- Gifts of Speaking ... teaching, preaching, exhorting
- Gifts of Serving ... giving & generosity, administration, mercy, gift of helps, encouragement, faith

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## Prophecy / Prophet

Someone called by God to speak on His behalf, delivering His messages and warnings to people. A prophet is a messenger of God, conveying divine truths and instructions.



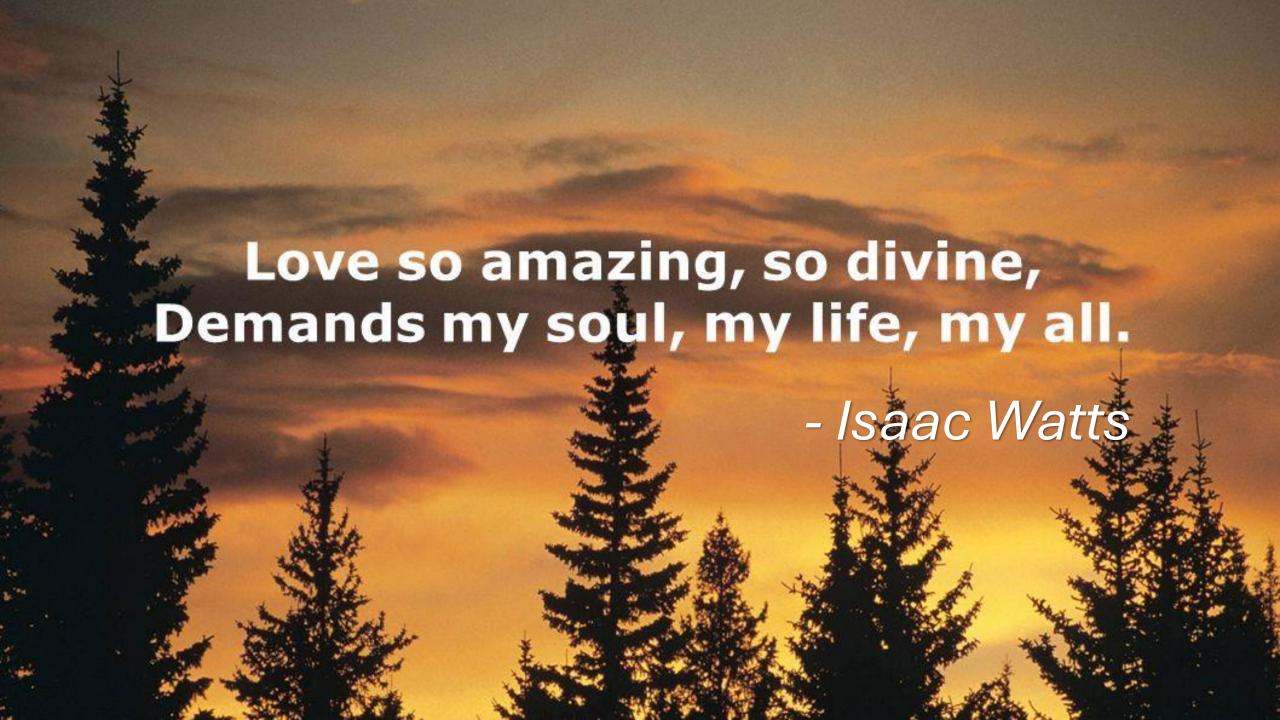
## Gift of Knowledge

The ability to know and understand certain aspects of God's work or the spiritual state of others through divine revelation or inspiration



#### **Take-home Truths**

- 1. Don't miss out on one of the *supreme joys of life* discover what your gifts are and pour yourself out to others using these gifts!
- 2. Be wary of false teaching (2 Tim. 2:15).
- 3. Walk in love this week. Don't let your ministry gifts become a substitute or source of pride for you at the expense of caring for each other in genuine love.



## Repent. (brokenness) Believe in me. Follow me.

- Jesus