

## **“Who is the Holy Ghost? - Comforter”**

***Scriptures – John 14:14-18***

### **Introduction to Lesson**

Have you ever needed a friend to comfort you in a special time of need? You may be going through a difficult time in your life and need someone to lend you a shoulder to cry on or a listening ear. Maybe you need someone who can give you some much needed advice. In today’s lesson, we will see that Jesus did not leave us alone without a comforter and friend to talk to and provide help. He said, “I will not leave you as orphans” (v. 18). He promised he would never leave us alone in our times of trouble “even unto the end of time” (Matthew 28:20).

### **Key Verse**

**“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you forever” (John 14:16).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

- What did Jesus say to ask of him? (v. 14)
- What commandments did Jesus say to keep? (v. 15)
- To whom did Jesus pray? (v. 16)
- Who will send another comforter to us? (v. 16; see also John 15:26)
- How long is the comforter going to be with us? (v. 16)
- Why can’t the world receive this Spirit of Truth? (v. 17)
- Where does the Spirit of Truth live? (v. 17)
- How much does Jesus care for us? (v. 18)

### **Think about it**

Jesus had been with the disciples for three and half years, but now he was about to leave and knew that his disciples were going to be filled with sorrow. They needed to be consoled and comforted; so he sent the Holy Spirit to give them comfort, strength, and hope. Jesus said, “I will not leave you comfortless” (v. 18). If we will love Jesus and keep his commandments (v. 15), then we can receive this comforter whom he promised. Jesus told us to ask (v. 14). No matter what we face in our lives, we can pray asking God for his help, and the Holy Spirit who lives in us will provide peace, joy, and comfort.



## **“Who is the Holy Ghost? - Teacher”**

***Scriptures – John 14:25-26***

### **Introduction to Lesson**

From the moment we start Kindergarten and finish our education in college/university, we are met with new teachers each school year. Think of all the teachers you have now. Likely, you will have some completely different teachers next year. However, we have one teacher who has been exactly the same, year after year. He is the Holy Spirit. He is not only our comforter, but he is also our teacher and guide in this life, the teacher of all the things Jesus spoke (v. 25). He is the one who will bring all the things that Jesus said to our remembrance (v. 26). He will guide us into all truth if we will only listen and obey (John 16:13).

### **Key Verse**

**“But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you” (John 14:26).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

Which things did Jesus speak about? (v. 25)

Who is the comforter? (v. 26)

Who is our teacher? (v. 26)

How many subjects will he teach us? (v. 26)

What happens if you forget some of the things Jesus said? (v. 26)

### **Think about it**

When you begin a new school year, more than likely, you will be in a new classroom, meet new people, and will have new teachers. When you come on the first day, you really don't know what to expect. You may feel nervous and shy. But isn't it exciting that we always know who will be our spiritual teacher each and every year? We have the Holy Ghost who guides us and teaches us all of the things which Jesus taught. He helps us to understand all that God expects of us. He is not a mean person, but rather he is gentle and kind. If you forget something, he won't send you to detention, but he will simply remind you of it. He will bring the words of Jesus back into your memory. What a relief to know that we have a teacher we can always count on.



## **“Who is the Holy Ghost? – Intercessor”**

***Scriptures – Ephesians 6:18; Romans 8:26***

### **Introduction to Lesson**

“Men should always pray and not give up” (Luke 18:1). Prayer is the lifeline of our Christian life. A Christian life without prayer is like the blood draining from your physical body, leaving you lifeless. But sometimes we don’t know how to pray. We run out of words or don’t know what words to use to speak to God. This is when the Holy Spirit comes in and prays for us unto God (Romans 8:26). The Spirit prays in the perfect will of God. Therefore, his praying is far more efficient and effective than our own prayers. Today, we will discover how and why the Spirit intercedes for us.

### **Key Verse**

**“Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints” (Ep. 6:18).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

According to Ephesians 6:18, when should we pray? (v. 18)

What is supplication? And why should we pray in supplication? (v. 18)

What can we pray for? (v. 18)

Should we pray for everyone? (v. 18)

What does the Holy Spirit do for us? (Romans 8:26)

When you don’t know what to pray for, what do you do?

Do you know what God’s will is for your life when you pray?

Do you allow the Holy Ghost to intercede on your behalf?

### **Think about it**

God has given us the Holy Ghost to be many things for us. He is our comforter, teacher, and intercessor. Sometimes our prayers and what we ask for do not meet God’s will and expectations. For this reason, the Holy Ghost is so important. He doesn’t just pray on our behalf, but he actually prays according to the perfect will of God. Although we might not understand his groaning, God knows the mind of the Spirit. He understands the utterances of the Spirit and knows exactly what we are praying when we groan, weep, and speak in tongues. For these reasons, we see how important the Spirit is in our prayer life. We need the Spirit to make intercession for us “according to the will of God” (Ro. 8:27)



## **“Who is the Holy Ghost? – Witness”**

***Scriptures – Romans 8:16***

### **Introduction to Lesson**

Think of a court case for a moment. If a person is trying to prove his innocence, then there has to be a witness to confirm his story, in order for the jury to believe him. When we tell others about Jesus, we are not speaking on our own. We have a convincing witness to confirm our story. In today’s lesson, we will see the importance of the Holy Ghost as our witness. The Spirit testifies of Jesus and what he has done for us. “For he shall not speak of himself” (John 16:13), but he will give testimony to believers and to the world that God’s Word is truth! Since the Holy Ghost is the life and power of our witness, we should be filled with the Holy Ghost so that we can speak the words of God with authority (Acts 1:8). When you don’t know what to say or don’t have the words to speak, Jesus said, “When you are brought before synagogues, rulers and authorities, do not worry about how you will defend yourselves or what you will say, for the Holy Spirit will teach you at that time what you should say” (Lu. 12:11-12).

### **Key Verse**

**“The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children” (Romans 8:16).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

Who testifies that we are God’s children? (Ro. 8:16)

How do we become better witnesses of Christ? (Acts 1:8)

How will the Spirit help us when we are witnessing? (Luke 12:11-12)

As God’s children, what is our responsibility in witnessing? (Acts 5:32)

Should we be afraid when witnessing to our friends at school?

Have you witnessed to someone recently? What was that experience like for you?

### **Think about it**

Remember that the Holy Ghost has been given to us as a comforter, teacher, intercessor and a witness. Don’t forget that you have the power to be a witness of Christ to the world with the help of the Holy Ghost.



## **“Spiritual Gifts – Edification of the Body”**

### ***Scriptures – 1 Corinthians 12:1-11; 14:1, 12***

#### **Introduction to Lesson**

The members of the church should edify one another. What does edify mean? It means we should work to encourage and build up one another. When encouraging edification in the church, the Bible uses terms like comfort, support, and be patient (1 Th. 5:11, 14). We are to consider each other in order to encourage love and good works (He. 10:24). Do you remember your parents saying, “If you can’t say something nice, don’t say anything at all?” There is a Biblical backing to that statement (see Ep. 4:29). We should always seek to build up and not tear down. To help us edify and build up each other in the Lord, God has given us a variety of spiritual gifts in the church.

#### **Key Verse**

**“Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace and things wherewith one may edify another” (Ro. 14:19).**

#### **Questions to Discuss:**

Why did the apostle Paul write about spiritual gifts? (1 Co. 12:1)

What was Paul saying about the relationship between Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit? Who does the Holy Spirit magnify and glorify? (v. 3; Jn. 15:26; 16:14)

Where do the spiritual gifts come from? (vv. 4-6)

When the Holy Spirit works through individual members, who does this profit and benefit? (v. 7)

In the coming weeks, we will study the gifts of the Spirit. List all nine of the spiritual gifts mentioned in 1 Corinthians 12. (vv. 8-10)

Who determines how the gifts are given and when they are operated? (v. 11)

Should we desire spiritual gifts? (1 Co. 14:1)

In our desire for spiritual gifts, for what should we seek? (v. 12)

#### **Think about it**

The spiritual gifts are given for the good of the whole church. They should operate within the church to build up and unite, but never tear down and divide. In 1 Corinthians 13:1-13, Paul went on to explain that the key to edification in the working of spiritual gifts is love. When the spiritual gifts work in the church being prompted by God’s love, the gifts will work to edify and build up the body of Christ.



## **“Spiritual Gifts – Wisdom and Knowledge”**

***Proverbs 1:5, 7, 22; 2:6; 4:7; 15:14***

### **Introduction to Lesson**

We are living in a time when wisdom and knowledge are increasing in great measure. Specifically, we observe this rapid increase in the advances of medicine and technology. As Christians, we know that God has given wisdom and knowledge to mankind, without which we would be helpless. Throughout the Scriptures, wisdom and knowledge are taught. We understand that both are attainable through God, who “giveth to all men liberally” (James 1:15), and “in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge” (Colossians 2:3). In today’s lesson, we will see that God has given spiritual gifts of both wisdom and knowledge in order to help us serve Christ and build up his church (1 Corinthians 12:8).

### **Key Verse**

**“For the Lord giveth wisdom; out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding” (Proverbs 2:6).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

How are wisdom and knowledge similar? What are the differences between wisdom and knowledge?

What are the differences between human knowledge/wisdom relating to this world and spiritual knowledge/wisdom relating to the eternal?

How are the church and its members affected by wisdom and knowledge?

### **Think about it**

In the world, knowledge and the implementing of knowledge (wisdom) have increased, but with what eternal value does it come? And upon what are we building? Knowledge should build upon wisdom from God (Proverbs 2:6; 4:7). Why? His wisdom is the foundation of all spiritual knowledge and understanding. A truly wise man seeks the knowledge of God, but a fool refuses his knowledge and instruction (Proverbs 1:5, 7, 22; 15:14). In the apostle Paul’s explanation of the spiritual gifts, he referred to “the word” of wisdom and knowledge, demonstrating that God’s Spirit supplies both wisdom and knowledge, and this being consistent with the Holy Scriptures (1 Corinthians 12:8). The church needs wisdom and knowledge to fulfill its mission, but this means we must be yielded to God as instruments of his Holy Spirit (Romans 6:13). God desires to speak through us words of wisdom and knowledge to give help and guidance, but we must be spiritually prepared to be used of the Spirit for the glory of God and the edification of his church (2 Timothy 2:21).



## **“Spiritual Gifts – Faith – Impossible Made Possible”**

### ***Matthew 17:20; 21:17-22; James 2:17-26***

#### **Introduction to Lesson**

What was once impossible has been made possible by faith! Acceptance with God, serving the Lord, and following Him are only possible through faith, for we must believe in Jesus to have everlasting life (John 3:16). In this lesson, we will see how the Mission Impossible becomes Mission Possible. First, the impossible becomes possible by the ability to believe, embrace, trust, obey and serve the LORD – ***The Measure of Faith***. We also will learn how the impossible becomes possible through the force of faith – ***The Power of Faith***. Finally, we will look at a divine enablement exercised by the Spirit to help the individual personally and the church reach its fullest potential – ***The Spiritual Gift of Faith***.

#### **Key Verse**

**“But without faith it is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him” (Hebrews 11:6).**

#### **Questions to Discuss:**

- What size of faith must one have to move a mountain? (Matthew 17:20)
- How big is a mustard seed compared to other seeds? (v.20)
- Why was it important for the fig tree to have fruit on it? (Matthew 21:18)
- What happened to the fig tree and why? (v. 19)
- What was the reaction from the disciples when they saw the withered fig tree? (v. 20)
- What was Jesus’ response to the disciples? (v. 21)
- What are the action words Jesus spoke in this verse? (v. 22)
- If we put faith into action, asking and believing, what will the result be? (v. 22)
- Can faith stand by itself? (James 2:17)
- How can one show others their faith? (v. 18)
- Abraham & Rahab were justified by works–how? (vv. 21,25)
- Fill in the blank – “. . . by works was faith made \_\_\_\_.” What do you think is perfect faith? (v. 22)

#### **Think about it**

Mission impossible is made possible by FAITH. To each one is given a measure of faith to move mountains. Through the Word of God and the Holy Spirit, we establish our faith in Christ and grow in the power of faith, so that we can ask in prayer and receive from God what is needed in our lives. Then as we see the working of the spiritual gift of faith within the church, the whole church will continue believing and asking for even greater works. Always remember our mission must be to please God; and to complete that mission we must have faith!



## **“Spiritual Gifts – Healings and Miracles”**

*Mt. 8:13-17; 1 Co. 12:9-10; Ep. 3:20*

### **Introduction to Lesson**

Make no mistake about it, gifts of healing and the working of miracles were common occurrences in the life and ministry of Christ and on throughout the New Testament (Mt. 8:13-17; Mk. 1:40-45; Lu. 7:22). During Jesus’ earthly ministry, he healed many with different kinds of sicknesses and diseases (Mt. 9:35). We should remember that our need for healing is sometimes more than physical, for Satan doesn’t attack our bodies only. He also seeks to poison our minds with carnal thoughts and fear (1 Co. 10:5-6; 2 Ti. 1:7) and to corrupt our spirits with the evidence of the works of the flesh (Ga. 5:19-21). Therefore, the Lord has provided healing for the whole person: soul, mind, body, and spirit. Before Jesus ascended back to the Father in heaven, he promised to send the Holy Spirit to us. Through the working of the Holy Spirit, the Lord has placed gifts of healing and the working of miracles in the church in order to empower its ministry, convict sinners, build up the body of Christ, and to prove to the world that he is still at work through his church (1 Co. 12:9-10). Zion Assembly must continue to realize our need for God’s divine favor; we must be in a condition spiritually where the Spirit will use us for the honor and glory of God (Ep. 3:20).

### **Key Verse**

“Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us” (Ep. 3:20).

### **Questions to Discuss:**

What would be some of the reasons for not seeing miracles and healings? What would hinder the Holy Spirit from working in our lives?

Since God desires to do the miraculous in and through his church, do you individually make sure that you are spiritually conditioned for him to use? How can you spiritually prepare yourself to be used by the Holy Spirit?

### **Think about it**

Zion Assembly has an important role to fulfill in this world in being God’s church. As his church, we must honor God through obedience to his Word. We must also live close to God by being filled with the Holy Spirit. How will Zion Assembly shine brightly to the world around us? Not only will the church be the light of the world by proclaiming the whole truth of God’s Word, but Zion will also be seen by the working of the Spirit within her through signs and wonders, healings, and the working of miracles. However, in order to be used of the Spirit, we individually must be spiritually conditioned. The power of God working through us individually is conditional.





## **“Spiritual Gifts – Prophecy and Discernment”**

*Acts 15:5-29*

### **Introduction to Lesson**

Do you want to know more about God's plan for your life? God certainly desires to help you understand His plan more clearly and just how you fit into it. The gift of prophecy and the gift of discernment are two gifts of the Spirit that work in the church to help us know the will of God. The gift of prophecy occurs when the Holy Ghost uses an individual to speak God's word with power and authority. The gift of discernment happens when the Holy Ghost helps believers to judge whether or not the prophecy is truly from God. In this lesson, we will see how God uses both the gift of prophecy and the gift of discernment to give direction for the church.

### **Key Verse**

**“For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us, to lay upon you no greater burden than these necessary things” (Acts 15:28).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

Who began to speak to the assembly? (v. 13)

From whom did God take out a people for His name? (v. 14)

What did James refer to when confirming Simeon's (or Simon Peter's) message? (v. 15)

What did James conclude after proclaiming the Scriptures? (vv. 19-20)

When James was finished speaking, were there any disagreements among them? (v. 22)

Who approved of James's conclusion? (v. 28)

Do you think James was speaking by his own power? (v. 28)

How did the church know that the Holy Ghost was pleased with their decision? (v. 28)

### **Think about it**

The gift of prophecy and the gift discernment working together revealed God's plan to the early church and helped them to avoid division. God's will was communicated to them by someone who spoke with the power of the Holy Ghost working through him. By the same Spirit, they were able to judge the message they were hearing as seeming good to the Holy Ghost. These gifts will do the same for us today. When the gifts of prophecy and discernment are in action, our mission in the church is made clearer, and we are kept from being misled by false teachers. Together, these gifts of the Spirit will reveal the mind of God to us, so that we can grow and become all that God wants us to be.



## **“Spiritual Gifts – Tongues and Interpretations”**

*Acts 2:1-8*

### **Introduction to Lesson**

Have you ever tried to talk to someone who does not speak your language? It's a difficult task if you don't have an interpreter to translate what you are trying to say. Sometimes in the church, there may be people gathered together who do not speak the same language. Despite language barriers, God can still communicate what He desires to reveal to everyone present and use the church to do so. He can use Spirit-baptized individuals in the church to speak and interpret any language. The Holy Ghost may use the gift of diverse tongues to speak Spanish through someone who only knows how to speak English or French. Sometimes, God may use someone to speak a message in tongues in order to help the church and then use someone to interpret the message so that all may understand. The gifts of diverse tongues and interpretation of tongues are both supernatural gifts of the Spirit given to build up the body of Christ. In this lesson, we will see that the church is not hindered by language barriers when its members are empowered by the Holy Ghost.

### **Key Verse**

**“To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another diverse kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues” (1 Corinthians 12:10).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

- Were the disciples who were gathered thinking about different things? (Acts 2:1)
- What was the sound from heaven like? (v. 2)
- What did the tongues that were like fire do? (v. 3)
- How were they able to speak with other languages? (v. 4)
- The Jews who were dwelling at Jerusalem at this time had returned there from where? (v. 5)
- Why was the crowd of people so confused? (v. 6)
- Why was the crowd of people so amazed? (vv. 7-8)

### **Think about it**

What an amazing work God performed through His church on the day of Pentecost! Jews from many different nations heard the wonderful works of God in their own language. They were all astonished because the people speaking were Galileans who ordinarily could not speak their languages. They were able to speak other languages because the Spirit gave them utterance. You see, God can speak and interpret all languages. The Holy Ghost still works in the same way today. He still speaks to and through the church to ensure that the message He wants to reveal is clear to everyone who may be gathered together. The gifts of diverse tongues and interpretation of tongues are wonderful gifts that will strengthen and build up the body of Christ as we proclaim the gospel into all the world.



**“Spiritual Gifts – Signs Following Believers”**  
***Mark 16:15-20; Matthew 24:24; Revelation 13:11-15***

**Introduction to Lesson**

When taking a road trip to a new place, road signs can be useful tools that help you to know the right direction. In the same way, when we set out to do God's will, miracles can be like signs helping to assure us that we are going the right way. Jesus taught that in His name believers would cast out demons, speak with new tongues, take up serpents, be protected if they drink something deadly, and lay hands on the sick and heal them. These are signs that will follow them who believe. The purpose of these signs is to confirm the Word of God and direct our faith toward Jesus Christ. Do you think that we as Christians should follow signs? In this lesson, we will see what God says about signs, so that we can know the answer to this question.

**Key Verse**

**“And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following” (Mark 16:20).**

**Questions to Discuss:**

- Are believers going to follow signs, or are signs going to follow believers? (Mk. 16:17)
- Why did God use signs when He worked with the early church? (Mk. 16:20)
- What do you think Jesus meant by “false Christs” and “false prophets?” (Mt. 24:24)
- What will the “false Christs” and “false prophets” be able to do? (Mt. 24:24)
- What will happen as a result of their signs? (Mt. 24:24)
- Who will the false prophet cause people to worship? (Re.13:12)
- What will the false prophet use to deceive those that dwell on the earth? (Re. 13:13-14)

**Think about it**

As you can see from the Scripture, signs can be deceiving. Jesus warned about false prophets who would show great signs and wonders. The signs performed by false prophets are like road signs with the wrong information. These lying signs will lead people away from the Truth and direct their faith toward someone or something other than Jesus Christ. For this reason, Christians should not follow after signs, but rather follow the Word of God. As we focus on God's Word, we will be able to appreciate the true signs that will confirm His Word. The true signs will strengthen our faith in the Way, the Truth, and the Life, Jesus Christ.



## **“Spiritual Gifts – The Greatest Gift”**

**1 Cor. 13:1-7**

### **Introduction to Lesson**

How much would you pay for a Big Mac without the burgers? You probably wouldn't pay a dime, because the bread, the toppings, and the sauce all lose their value without the main thing. Similarly, the gifts of the Spirit also become meaningless if the most important gift is not working in the church. According to the Apostle Paul, the greatest gift is love. He was not referring to a “romantic” kind of love or a “friendship” kind of love. These examples are types of love that all humans are capable of having. Paul was referring to the kind of love that we experience when God's Spirit works in and through us. This kind of love can only come from God. In this lesson, we will learn what the love of God is like, so that we can understand why it's the greatest gift.

### **Key Verse**

**Key Verse: “And now abideth faith, hope, charity [love], these three; but the greatest of these is charity [love]” (1 Corinthians 13:13).**

### **Questions to Discuss:**

- What is a person like who speaks the languages of men and angels but doesn't have God's love? (v. 1)
- What is a person who understands mysteries and all knowledge but lacks God's love? (v. 2)
- What does a person gain by doing good things for others if they do not have God's love? (v. 3)
- What characteristics should people have if God's love is within them? (v. 4)
- Would God's love cause a person to demand his/her own way? [Explain your answer.] (v. 5)
- Would God's love cause a person to be happy when others fall into temptation? Why or why not? (v. 6)
- Would the love of God cause us to give up on our brother or sister when he/she does us wrong? [Give an example of your answer.] (v. 7)

### **Think about it**

The goodness of God's love goes far beyond our human ability to love. The human kind of love can become impure and self-centered, due to the influence of the sin nature, but the love of God is always pure and selfless. The love of God was demonstrated when God gave His only begotten Son to die for us when we were yet sinners. It is this self-sacrificing love that is the most important gift to help us build God's church. The gifts of the Spirit such as tongues and interpretations, prophecy and discernment are all helpful, but without the love of God working through us, they become meaningless. As we seek to build up the church, we need to remember the main thing is God's love.



## **“Spiritual Gifts – Prophecy”**

### **1 Corinthians 14:1-12**

#### **Introduction to Lesson**

When people try to get in shape, they usually work out all of their muscle groups. It doesn't make good sense to strengthen one muscle group when it takes your entire body to do daily activities. Likewise, God does not want some members of the body of Christ to be strong and others to be weak. God desires the whole body of Christ to be built up and every member able to do his/her work effectively. He wants us all to be in our best shape spiritually, so that together we can fulfill the great commission. In order for all of us to become strong, we must have the word of God. We need to be corrected, encouraged, comforted, and instructed with a clear message. For this reason, Paul emphasized prophesying over speaking in tongues, when there is no interpretation. Prophesying occurs when the Holy Ghost uses an individual believer to speak God's word with power and authority. In this lesson, we will see how prophesying provides more of a “full body workout” than speaking in tongues when we are gathered together.

#### **Key Verse**

**Key Verse: “Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy” (1 Corinthians 14:1).**

#### **Questions to Discuss:**

When someone speaks in an unknown tongue, to whom is he/she speaking? (v. 2)

Can anyone understand a person who speaks in an unknown tongue? (v. 2)

Who is spoken to when a person prophesies? (v. 3)

What are the benefits of prophesying? (v. 3)

Who benefits from an unknown tongue? Who benefits from prophecy? (v. 4)

Why is the person who prophesies greater than the person who speaks in tongues when there is no interpretation? (v. 5)

What should we seek for in our pursuit of spiritual gifts? (v. 12)

#### **Think about it**

God wants every one of us to be strong in Him so that we will affect the world rather than the world affecting us. Therefore, edifying the church should be our focus when we are gathered together. In his letter to the Corinthians, Paul was not trying to stop the church from speaking in tongues, but he wanted them to see that prophesying (anointed preaching) helps to build up the whole church, while speaking in an unknown tongue only strengthens the individual. Everyone can benefit from prophecy, because the message is understandable. In contrast, speaking in unknown tongues blesses the individual who speaks, but there is no understanding given to the church. With this in mind, we should not forbid speaking in tongues, but we should seek to prophesy so that all may be strengthened in the will of God.

