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## Who is Life Song Church? Part 2

**Review:** In looking at who we are doctrinally, we indicated we must be in agreement with the definition of the terms used. Example; LSC is Ecumenical, but not to the extent of the Pope's "Document on Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together." LSC will identify with groups based on our definition or understanding of the term. LSC is nondenominational, functions through Servant Leadership, Pastor led, board approved, Elders-Leaders operated, Evangelical, Ecumenical, with the highest emphasis on loving God and loving one another.

### Part 2

#### LSC Has Charisma!

**Charismatic;** The Greek word charisma means "favor" or "gift." In English, it has been used in Christian contexts since about 1640 to refer to a gift or power bestowed upon an individual by the Holy Spirit for the good of the Church (Merriam-Webster). There are gifts to help us manifest and advance the Kingdom of God from God the Father (**Rom. 12:3-8**) and the Son Jesus (**Eph 4:11**) and the Holy Spirit (**1 Cor 12:8-10**).

**1 Cor 1:4-8** *I thank my God always concerning you for the **grace of God** which was given to you by Christ Jesus, 5 that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, 6 even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, 7 so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the **revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ**,*

**Gift:** Greek, #5486, *charisma*, a gift of grace, a free gift, divine gratuity, spiritual endowment, miraculous faculty. It is especially used to designate the *gifts of the Spirit*. In modern usage, a "charismatic" signifies one who either has one or more of these gifts functioning in his life, or who believes these gifts are for today's church (W/W SFLB).

**Grace:** Strong's # 5485 *charis* (khar-ece), from *chara* "joy" and *chairō* "to rejoice." Unmerited favor and underserved blessings, a free gift from God. Grace is not only our free gift of salvation, but it is also the power-word describing the Holy Spirit's operational means. Grace is a force as well as a favor, being a verb as well as a noun. Grace is God's forgiveness to us through Jesus, that now allows us the power to forgive others and a force against sin. Grace is the power to overcome sin, not the power to live with it.

#### Gifts of the Father:

**Rom 12:6-8** *Having then **gifts** differing according to the **grace** that is given to us, let us use them: if **prophecy**, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; 7 or **ministry**, let us use it in our ministering; he who **teaches**, in teaching; 8 he who **exhorts**, in exhortation; he who **gives**, with liberality; he who **leads**, with diligence; he who **shows mercy**, with cheerfulness.*

#### Gifts of the Son:

**Eph 4:7-13** *But to each one of us **grace** was given according to the measure of **Christ's gift**. 8 Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave **gifts to men**." 9 (Now this, "He ascended" — what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) 11 And He Himself gave some to be **apostles**, some **prophets**, some **evangelists**, and some **pastors and teachers**, 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,*

#### Gifts of the Holy Spirit:

**1 Cor 12:4-11** *There are **diversities of gifts**, but the same **Spirit**. 5 There are **differences of ministries**, but the same **Lord**. 6 And there are **diversities of activities**, but it is the same **God** who works all in all. 7 But the **manifestation of the Spirit** is given to each one for the profit of all: 8 for to one is given the **word of wisdom** through the Spirit, to another the **word of knowledge** through the same Spirit, 9 to another **faith** by the same Spirit, to another gifts of **healings** by the same Spirit, 10 to another the **working of miracles**, to another **prophecy**, to another **discerning of spirits**, to another **different kinds of tongues**, to another the **interpretation of tongues**. 11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.*

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#### **Rom 12:6-8 Gifts of the Father**

**Prophecy:** To speak with forthrightness and insight, especially when enabled by the Spirit of God.

**Ministry:** To minister and render loving, general service to meet the needs of others.

**Teaching:** The supernatural ability to explain and apply the truths received from God for the church.

**Exhortation:** To entreat, comfort and instruct from a position of challenging a person's perspective.

**Giving:** Give out of a spirit of generosity. This giving is above and beyond the tithe.

**Leadership:** The one who is "Standing in front." Developing the Body of Christ through examples and modeling the character of Christ.

**Mercy:** To feel sympathy with the misery of another.

#### **Eph 4:7-13 Gifts of the Son: The Five-Fold Ministry**

**Apostles:** Those who extend the work of the church, opening fields to the gospel, overseeing larger sections of the Body of Christ, starting and developing new ministries.

**Prophet:** A spiritually mature spokesman/proclaimer with a special, divinely focused message to the church or the world. A person uniquely gifted at time with insight into future events.

**Evangelist:** A special gift of preaching and witnessing in a way that brings unbelievers into the experience of salvation.

**Pastor:** The word "pastor" comes from a root meaning "to protect" from which we get the word "shepherd" as to care for and lead others in the way of the Lord.

**Teacher:** The ability to instruct others in a way to give understanding of the Scriptures in order to be applied to one's life.

#### **1 Cor 12:4-11 Gifts of the Spirit**

**Word of Wisdom:** Supernatural perspective to ascertain divine means for accomplishing God's will in given situations.

**Word of Knowledge:** A specific word or understanding how to deal with a situation at hand.

**Faith:** Supernatural ability to believe God without doubt.

**Gifts of Healing:** Supernatural healing without human aid, but may include God's wisdom in application of human instrumentation and means of treatment.

**Prophecy:** Supernatural proclamation and insight to "Call forth" God's will. Possessed by all who have the infilling of the Holy Spirit.

**Discerning of Spirits:** Supernatural power to detect the realm of the spirits and their activities.

**Different Kinds of Tongues:** Supernatural utterance in languages not known to man, unless revealed by the Holy Spirit.

**Interpretation of Tongues:** Supernatural power to reveal the meaning of tongues.