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# Matthew 16:13-20

<sup>13</sup>And coming into the parts of Caesarea Philippi, Jesus asked His disciples, saying, Who do men say Me to be, the Son of Man? <sup>14</sup>And they said, Some say, John the Baptist; some, Elijah; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets. <sup>15</sup>He said to them, But who do you say I am? <sup>16</sup>And Simon Peter answered and said, You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. <sup>17</sup>Jesus answered and said to him, You are blessed, Simon, son of Jonah, for flesh and blood did not reveal it to you, but My Father in Heaven. <sup>18</sup>And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. <sup>19</sup>And I will give the keys of the kingdom of Heaven to you. And whatever you may bind on earth shall occur, having been bound in Heaven, and whatever you may loose on earth shall occur, having been loosed in Heaven.

# **Everyone has gifts**

### Ephesians 4:7-8

<sup>7</sup>But to every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. <sup>8</sup>Therefore He says, "When He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive and gave gifts to men."

# The Holy Spirit reveals

# 2 Corinthians 2:9-11

<sup>9</sup>But as it is written, "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard," nor has it entered into the heart of man, "the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." <sup>10</sup>But God has revealed them to us by His Spirit; for the Spirit searches all things, yea, the deep things of God. <sup>11</sup>For who among men knows the things of a man except the spirit of man within him? So also no one knows the things of God except the Spirit of God.

#### Illumination and revelation

#### Isaiah 11:1-2

<sup>1</sup>And the Spirit of Jehovah shall rest on Him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of Jehovah.

# Who qualifies?

#### 1. The Called

#### Acts 13:39

<sup>39</sup>The promise is to you and to your children and to as many as the Lord our God will cal

### 2. The Humble

#### James 4:5-8

<sup>5</sup>Do you think that the Scripture says in vain, The spirit that dwells in us yearns jealously? <sup>6</sup>But He gives more grace. Therefore He says, God resists the proud, but He gives grace to the humble. <sup>7</sup>Therefore submit yourselves to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup>Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you.

#### 3. Motivation: LOVE

He drew people, not merely by power, or 'charisma' in the popular sense, but by love

John 13:32-35

# 4. Boldly preaching the Cross

If we only preach the power of the Spirit without the Cross, it is a short circuit which brings loss of the very power we preach about. The Spirit's primary interest is in the Cross. We don't preach power, but the gospel which is the power of God by the Spirit. (A W Tozer)

Romans 1:16-17

# Unveiled people

### 2 Corinthians 3:16-18

<sup>16</sup>Nevertheless when one turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup>Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. <sup>18</sup>But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

# Each one is a minister

### 1Corinthians 14:26

<sup>26</sup>How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification.