

GROWTH GROUP DISCUSSION

CONNECT

Have you ever experienced or witnessed something that you could only describe as a miracle? Share about it.

LEARN & APPLY

Read Luke 5:17-26. Lifekeys describes the gift of miracles as “the ability to call on God to do supernatural acts that glorify him.”

- What supernatural acts occur in this story? (Hint: there is more than one.)
- Why do you think Jesus chose to forgive the paralyzed man prior to physically healing him? Do you think there is a connection? Why or why not?
- What part does faith play in this story?

Read Romans 8:26-27. Lifekeys describes the gift of tongues as “The ability to pray to God in a language, known or unknown to others, when one can no longer express oneself in one’s own words.”

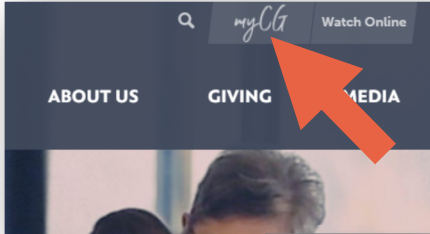
- Have you ever felt at a loss for words while trying to pray? How does this passage offer hope?
- Read 1 Corinthians 14:1-25.
- What is significant about Paul’s instructions for using the gift of tongues in a public worship service?

PRAY

Heavenly Father, we know you give only good gifts to your children so we trust in the goodness of the gifts you choose to give each of us. Help us to humbly use these gifts to bring you glory and to draw others into a relationship with Jesus. Amen.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT STEP BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS:

STEP 1. Go to gracepeople.church and click on myCG at the top.



STEP 2. You have two options here: Request Account or Forgot Password? If you remember your myCG username and password skip to **STEP 4.**

A screenshot of the myCG login page for the Community of Grace Lutheran Church. The page has a white background. At the top, it says 'Community of Grace Lutheran Church'. Below that, there are two input fields: 'Username' with the text 'name@gmail.com' and 'Password' with a masked password '*****'. There is a checkbox labeled 'Keep me logged in for 30 days'. Below the inputs is a blue button labeled 'LOGIN'. At the bottom, there are two links: 'Request Account' on the left and 'Forgot Password?' on the right. Two red arrows point from the 'Request Account' and 'Forgot Password?' links to the text in the adjacent block.

STEP 2A. REQUEST ACCOUNT

A screenshot of a web form titled 'Support | Log-in Request Form'. The form has a white background and a light blue header. Below the header, there is a section for 'Personal Information' with a note: 'Each family member will need to complete a separate request for log-in. Please complete as many fields as possible.' There are three input fields: 'First Name*', 'Last Name*', and 'Email*'. Each field has a red underline. There are also two red arrows pointing from the 'Request Account' and 'Forgot Password?' links in the previous screenshot to the 'Personal Information' section of this form.

All you need is your name and an email to request your MyCG log-in. You will then receive a confirmation email with a link to let you set up a log-in.

STEP 2B. FORGOT PASSWORD?

You will receive an email allowing you to reset your password.

STEP 3. Create a password that you will use for myCG and the Spiritual Gifts Assessment. Click Submit and log-in to my CG. **(MORE)**

STEP 4. Log-in to myCG.

STEP 5. Click on Take Spiritual Gifts Assessment.

STEP 6. Enter your user name and password and Start the Test.

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Start the Test

WELCOME TO myCG!

myCG is an online resource to help you

- Update your contact information and
- Manage your online profile and view
- Register for programs and events.
- **Take Spiritual Gifts Assessment**
- See Serving Opportunities

STEP 7. The test will take about 20 minutes. It is set up in three phases: Spiritual Gifts, Abilities, and Passions.

STEP 8. You will immediately see your results when you submit your assessment. It will show the Passions and Abilities you selected and your top three Spiritual Gifts. You will also receive an email, so you can look again, and determine what positions you might want to serve in.

STEP 9. Within a week you should hear from the leaders that match your Serving Opportunities. Some may even be available to you now!

Passions

1. Community Connection
2. Divorce Healing
3. Grief Ministry

Abilities

1. Skill: Counseling
2. Skill: Education

Spiritual Gifts

1. **Exhortation (88%)**
Possessors of this gift encourage members to be involved in and enthusiastic about the work of the Lord. Members with this gift are good counselors and motivate others to service. Exhortation exhibits itself in preaching, teaching, and ministry (Rom. 12:8).
2. **Knowledge (83%)**
The gift of knowledge manifests itself in teaching and training in discipleship. It is the God-given ability to learn, know, and explain the precious truths of God's Holy Word. A word of knowledge is a Spirit-revealed truth (1 Cor. 12:28).
3. **Shepherding (84%)**
The gift of shepherding is manifested in persons who look out for the spiritual welfare of others. Although pastors, like shepherds, do care for members of the church, this gift is not limited to a pastor or staff member (Eph. 4:11).

[Click Here To View Serving Opportunities](#)

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE AT THE INFORMATION DESK TODAY OR ANYTIME DURING REGULAR OFFICE HOURS.