

GIFT DISCOVERY / *Romans 12:7-8*

Believers will respond differently in the same circumstances. Recognizing what our initial response might be will help us identify the general nature of our gifts. For example, imagine that a destitute family attends your worship service next Sunday. How will different believers respond? The responses that are most similar to what you would do will give you clues to your gifts.

The prophets will ask the congregation . . .

“What went wrong here that needs to be corrected? What caused this family to experience these problems?”

The servers will ask . . .

“What can we do for you?”

The teachers will ask . . .

“How can we help you avoid this situation in the future? What skills, wisdom, and spiritual insights will give you better direction?”

The encouragers will ask . . .

“You must be feeling bad. Please know that we will care for you any way we can. Before you know it, you will be helping someone else.”

The givers will ask . . .

“How much will you need to meet your needs? How can we respond to this need in the most effective way?”

The leaders will ask the church . . .

“Are there any others we need to help?”

The merciful . . .

Will probably not ask any questions, but welcome the person with smiles, hugs, warm acceptance, and understanding.