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The Problem With Gifted People Part 1

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Opening Thoughts

- Who is gifted?
- Is it only the ones identified in school?
- Are the gifted people the ones who run large technology companies?
- Who would YOU consider gifted?
- Would you consider yourself gifted?

Opening Thoughts (cont.)

These questions are ones that all societies wrestle with regularly.

Let's dive into this topic and see what God has to say about it!

Gifted vs Talented

According to Difference.wiki:

Main Difference

The main difference between gifted and talented is that gifted has exceptional talent and natural ability, whereas talented has a natural capacity and skill for something.

Gifted vs Talented



This is a standard, textbook definition.
Do you agree? Why or Why Not?

Gifted vs Talented

From a Christian perspective, the definitions would be different. Consider the following:

- Gifted – those infused with God’s ability to serve specific purposes for His will.
- Talented – natural ability to do or accomplish.

The key different is God’s ability placed over our inability to do previously impossible things.

Gifted vs Talented



With the “Godly” definition presented on the previous slide, can you give examples of those Gifted and Talented?

In what category would you place yourself?

Romans 12:3-5

³ For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of *himself* more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith. ⁴ For as we have many members in one body, but all the members do not have the same function, ⁵ so we, *being* many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.

Romans 12:6-8

⁶ 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.

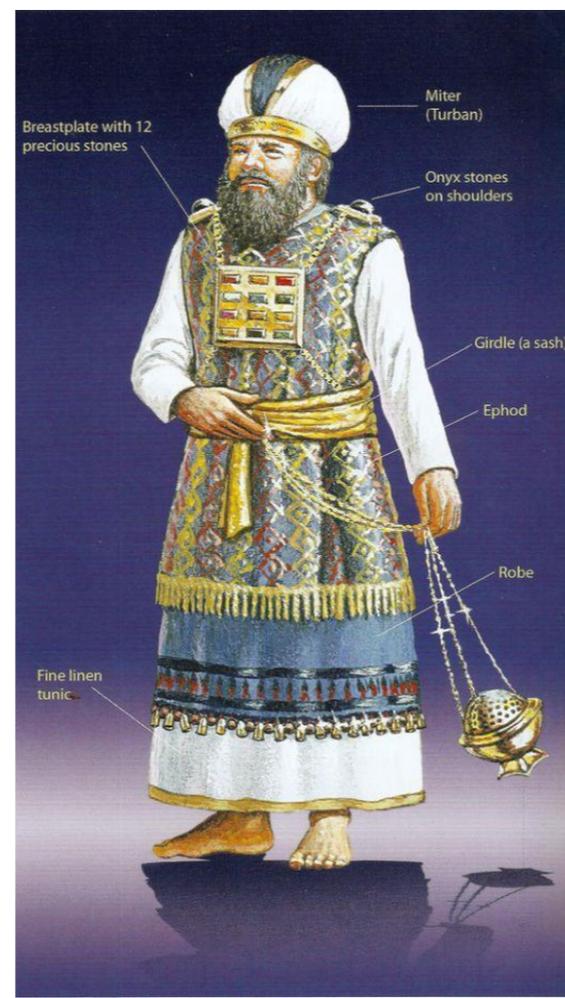


- What is Grace?
- Who gives us Grace?
- What is it for?
- Are we a part of the Body of Christ?
- Does the Body have gifts?
- How are the gifts distributed?



Exodus 28:2-3

² And you shall make holy garments for Aaron your brother, for glory and for beauty. ³ So you shall speak to all *who are* gifted artisans, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments, to consecrate him, that he may minister to Me as priest.



- When God wanted special garments for Aaron, what did He ask Moses to do?
- Why were these artisans special?
- Where did the gifts come from?
- How does that relate to our definition presented earlier?

QUOTES

Kristin Chenoweth

"I'm an actress and a singer and I'm also a Christian. We're not all crazy right-wingers. I just want to be like Jesus, forgiving and loving and nonjudgmental, accepting of everyone even if they don't agree."

Angela Bassett

"Loving God is like my being black. I just am. [No one says] 'You know what? I'm gonna be blacker today!' It's my culture. It's not something I put on or take off or show more. You just communicate that in the way you live your life."

Ralph Winter

"I have been placed in this job for a purpose, and I am just trying to make great movies and keep my eyes on Him. I don't deserve any praise...It is definitely all God's hand that I get to do this. And who knows how long this will last? He may choose someone else."



- What do you think of their quotes?
- Do you think these folks are gifted or talented?
- If you could give simple advice to Christians who are in the limelight, what would you say?

GET READY FOR PART 2!