

# Gifted

1 Corinthians 14:13–21 | Clarity and Wisdom

## Message Reflection Guide

**Think about this** From *Man as Spirit, Soul, and Body* by John B. Woodward

M. R. De Haan, a medical doctor and Bible teacher, told of a conversation he had with a neighbor in which he really got to the heart of things.

It was the first time I met my neighbor, who had just moved in a few days before. He told me he had heart trouble and had sold his business on the advice of his doctor. He seemed quite surprised when I said, 'Yes, I know, and I understand you were born with a bad heart.' Emphatically he replied, 'Oh no, I had a heart attack just a year ago! Before that my heart was perfect.' 'But,' I added, 'I read just this morning that you were born with heart disease.' I referred him to what God says about the sinful human heart and the need of a new heart. It was the first time he had heard the real diagnosis of his heart condition. My good neighbor had physical heart trouble, but his spiritual heart condition was a much more serious problem.

### Conversation Starter

What was your favorite childhood movie? What is your favorite movie that has been released more recently (in the last 10 years or so)?

**Getting into the Scriptures** Read 1 Corinthians 14:13-21.

Brandon said, "**God, through the Holy Spirit, wants to give you clarity, not confusion.**" What has been confusing for you regarding Spiritual Gifts and Gifts of the Holy Spirit?

**The Holy Spirit provides clarity in our minds.** Satan fights for control over our minds. Why is the mind such an important battle ground?

**The Holy Spirit provides clarity in our hearts.** Read Hebrews 4:12. How does this verse impact how you view your heart?

**The Holy Spirit provides clarity in our speech and actions.** How can we use our speech and actions to love our neighbors audaciously while using our spiritual gifts?

### Making it Real

Fill in the blank: After praying to God, I am sensing the Holy Spirit bringing more clarity in this area of my life: \_\_\_\_\_