

Grace-based Ministry

'I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God'

(Rom.12:1-2)

Every person who is born again has received a particular gift, or gifts, for ministry

'But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift'
(Eph.4:7)

'As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God'
(1 Pet.4:10)

'Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them'
(Rom.12:6)

□ The grace and anointing that was upon Jesus has been given to us

To Him the anointing was without measure

'For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God does not give the Spirit by measure'

(Jn.3:34)

He received the fullness, we a part of the fullness

'And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth...And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace'

(Jn.1:14&16)

'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'

(Rom.12:3)

To "think soberly" means:

Avoiding Danger #1 — Seeing what is not there

Avoiding Danger #2 — Not seeing what is there

You **Can't Do
What You Want To Do**

You **Can Do
What God Wants You To Do**

Discovering Our Gifts:

1) God Gives Us Strong Desires

Discovering Our Gifts:

2) Gifts Motivate Us

Discovering Our Gifts:

3) We Receive A Burden

Discovering Our Gifts:

4) We Receive A Vision

Discovering Our Gifts:

5) God Speaks To Us

Discovering Our Gifts:

6) We Bear Fruit

Discovering Our Gifts:

**7) Our Gifts Are Recognized By The
Body**

*'There are diversities of **gifts**, but the same Spirit. There are differences of **ministries**, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of **activities**, but it is the same God who works all in all'*
(1 Cor.12:4-6)