

THE GIFTS

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*This poem's to explain in simple verse
the truth of God, about the curse
of sin that so infects our lives,
and of His gifts to help us thrive.*

*In Romans twelve, six through eight
God lists His service gifts so great,
personality fingerprints,
that He's given to each servant*

*to minister to all others' needs,
in this world that needs good deeds,
to shine a light or open a door
of love or peace, and so much more.*

*These seven gifts at times overlap
from time to time as He does clap
to supply His peoples' needs
in the lives of His true seeds.*

*Prophets are those who clearly hear
His gentle, cherrie, voice so clear
to encourage or instruct
so we won't His Song disrupt.*

*Givers aren't concerned with things
for they know that tomorrow brings
more chances for Him to provide
what He said He'd give in stride.*

*Servers are those who on us wait
to bring us food on such clean plates
or mop the floors or clean the grates,
with faith to win, to cast aside "fate".*

*Exhorters are such special friends
who care for us, and won't truth bend,
or only say what we will hear,
but give to us His Truth so dear.*

*Business leaders should always know
of their need to lead and show
by their deeds, integrity,
running programs for His needs.*

*Teachers with such passion teach
His truths to all who they can reach,
to turn from sin all those who hear,
to do His Word with hearts of cheer.*

*Mercy persons empathize
with much suffering in our lives,
comforting oft the souls and minds
of all who in their path they find.*

*There is one more thing to know,
if these special gifts we'll show.
Business men won't so clearly see
the Mercy person's heartfelt pleas.*

*Administrators simply can't allow
what they need for use tomorrow
for Givers' need to give away,
tomorrow's seeds must be delayed.*

*These gifts are so much like our eyes
'cause we're all blind on one side.
Faithful courage demands we see
His gifts balanced with humility,*

*so those who have the other gifts
can work with us in different shifts,
as body parts should always do,
work as one in Him with clues.*

*Just as differing fingertips
have unmatched swirls and diff'rent rifts
from all others that He's made,
no other has your gifts in trade.*

*In His way He has so given
each of His gifts from His Heaven,
for our daily use in life
to guide others thru the strife.*

*Let me also do suggest
for four tapes you should invest
twenty bucks it takes to send
for tapes taught by God's own friend,*

*Harley Allen, who clearly taught
these gifts in order, sequenced lot,
with much humor, truth so clear,
of these gifts to clearly hear.*

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