

“UNWRAPPING YOUR SPIRITUAL GIFTS” INVENTORY

Directions: Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance as you respond to the statements.
Record your responses to statements 1 – 96, using the below scale, on the Answer Sheet (page 5).

Scale: 0 – Not at all; 1 – A Little; 2 – Moderately; 3 – Considerably; 4 – Strongly

1. I enjoy working behind the scenes, taking care of little details.
2. I usually step forward and assume leadership in a group where none exists.
3. When in a group, I tend to recognize and approach those who are sitting or standing alone.
4. I have the ability to recognize a need and to get the job done, no matter how trivial the task
5. I have the ability to organize ideas, people, and projects to reach a specific goal.
6. I make solid decisions based on my morals and Christian beliefs.
7. I am very confident in helping others.
8. I enjoy singing or playing a musical instrument.
9. The Eucharist is very important to me.
10. I enjoy reading, especially about others.
11. I have an ability to use my hands in a creative way to design and build things.
12. I have seen my prayers answered.
13. I enjoy giving money to those in serious financial need.
14. I enjoy ministering to people in hospitals, prisons, the home bound, or rest homes to comfort them.
15. I often have insights that offer practical solutions to difficult problems.
16. I have understood issues or problems in the church and seen answers when others didn't.
17. I enjoy encouraging and giving advice to those who are discouraged.
18. I have an ability to thoroughly study our faith, and then share it with others.
19. I enjoy life.
20. Other people respect me as an authority in spiritual matters.
21. I am good with money.
22. I enjoy talking to people.
23. I enjoy spending time with non-Christians, especially with hopes of telling them about my

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faith in God.

24. Whenever I hear reports on the news or in conversation about needy situations. I feel it's important that I pray for them.
25. I would like to assist the pastor or other parish leaders so they will have more time to accomplish their essential and priority ministries.
26. I don't mind asking others to accomplish an important ministry for the church.
27. I enjoy entertaining guests and making them feel "at home" when they visit.
28. I enjoy serving others, no matter how simple the task.
29. I am a very organized person who sets goals and makes plans to reach them.
30. I have good ideas and want to share them.
31. I often step out and start projects that other people won't attempt, and the projects are usually successful.
32. I believe I could sing will in the choir.
33. I believe that people can see that I am a good person and a practicing Christian.
34. I have a good speaking voice.
35. I enjoy doing things like woodworking, crocheting, sewing, metal work, stained glass, etc...
36. I enjoy praying for those who are physically and emotionally ill, for God to heal them.
37. I joyfully give money to the church will above most.
38. I feel compassion for people who are hurting and lonely, and I like to spend considerable time with them to cheer them up.
39. God has enabled me to choose correctly between several complex options in an important decision, when no one else knew what to do.
40. I enjoy studying difficult questions about our faith, and I am able to find answers more easily and more quickly than others.
41. People often tell me their problems, and I encourage them.
42. When a question arises about our faith, I am motivated to find the answer.
43. I like to give of my own free time to meet other's needs.
44. I would be willing and excited to lead a parish project.
45. I can see the big picture and can mobilize resources will.
46. I have good typing skills.
47. I find it easy to share my faith with others.
48. I believe prayer is the most important thing a Christian can do.

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49. I enjoy relieving others of routine tasks so others can get special projects done.
50. I can guide and manage a group of people toward achieving a specific goal.
51. I enjoy meeting new people and introducing them to others in a group.
52. I am very dependable for getting things done on time, and I don't need much praise and thanks.
53. I easily delegate significant responsibilities to other people.
54. People confide in me and share their concerns.
55. I trust in God's faithfulness for a bright future, even when everything looks bad.
56. I enjoy singing, and people say I have a good voice.
57. I enjoy serving others.
58. I am comfortable in front of many people.
59. I find satisfaction in meeting people's need by making something for them.
60. I believe that it's important to pray. (Prayers can include private prayer, devotions, novenas, fasting, rosary, Mass, etc...)
61. I wouldn't mind giving up some things to help the church and others in need.
62. I want to do whatever I can for the needy people around me, even if I have to give up something. (Time, finances, material goods, etc...)
63. People often seek my advice when they don't know what to do.
64. I have an ability to gather information from several sources to discover the answer to a question or learn more about a subject.
65. I feel the need to challenge others to better themselves, especially in their spiritual growth without condemning them.
66. Others listen and enjoy my teaching the faith.
67. I enjoy working with teens and desire to help them be the best people they can be.
68. I enjoy small group discussions.
69. I have a good sense with finances and establishing priorities.
70. I have computer skills, or I am willing to learn.
71. I like to tell others about my faith and invite them to parish events. (Mass, Sacraments, Workshops, etc...)
72. Many of my prayers for others have been answered.
73. I enjoy helping others get their work done and don't need a lot of public recognition.
74. People respect my opinion and follow my directions.

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75. I enjoy welcoming new people and visitors to our parish.
76. I enjoy helping people in any type of need and feel a sense of satisfaction in meeting that need.
77. I am comfortable making important decisions even under pressure.
78. I enjoy shaping the future of our parish and working toward that goal.
79. I enjoy working with people.
80. I believe the Lord could use me in the choir to deliver a message through song.
81. I am comfortable in front of many people.
82. The Scriptures are important to me.
83. People say I am gifted with my hands.
84. People often seek me out to pray for them.
85. When I give money to someone, I don't expect anything in return and often give anonymously.
86. When I hear of people without jobs who can't pay their bills, I do what I can to help them.
87. God enables me to make appropriate decisions based on Christian principles for practical solutions.
88. I understand complex issues and enjoy thinking about them.
89. People will tell me things they won't tell anyone else and say I'm easy to talk to.
90. I enjoy being around children.
91. I like to help teens who struggle with life and help them find their way back to a growing relationship with God.
92. I would be excited to share my faith with others.
93. I have often encouraged others to share their gifts.
94. I present myself in a friendly and professional manner.
95. I have a strong desire to help non-Christians find faith in Jesus.
96. I enjoy praying, and I spend a great deal of time at it.

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ANSWER SHEET

Directions: Use this answer sheet to record your responses to the statements contained on pages 1 – 4. Total your scores across and circle the three highest scores.

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RESPONSES				TOTAL	KEY
1.	25.	49.	73.		A
2.	26.	50.	74.		B
3.	27.	51.	75.		C
4.	28.	52.	76.		D
5.	29.	53.	77.		E
6.	30.	54.	78.		F
7.	31.	55.	79.		G
8.	32.	56.	80.		H
9.	33.	57.	81.		I
10.	34.	58.	82.		J
11.	35.	59.	83.		K
12.	36.	60.	84.		L
13.	37.	61.	85.		M
14.	38.	62.	86.		N
15.	39.	63.	87.		O
16.	40.	64.	88.		P
17.	41.	65.	89.		Q
18.	42.	66.	90.		R
19.	43.	67.	91.		S
20.	44.	68.	92.		T
21.	45.	69.	93.		U
22.	46.	70.	94.		V
23.	47.	71.	95.		W
24.	48.	72.	96.		X

Using the key, on the next page, determine your spiritual gifts and potential opportunities to serve the Church.

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GIFTS KEY

- A. Helper
- B. Leadership
- C. Hospitality / Usher / Greeter
- D. Christian Service
- E. Administration
- F. Good Judgment – Pastoral Council / Committees
- G. Parish Organizational Skills
- H. Music / Choir
- I. Eucharistic Minister
- J. Lector
- K. Craftsmanship
- L. Prayer
- M. Giving
- N. Kindness – Home Visitor
- O. Wisdom – Council / Committee
- P. Vision
- Q. Counseling Skills
- R. Teaching / Catechetics
- S. Youth Ministry
- T. Small Group Leader
- U. Stewardship
- V. Office Skills
- W. Evangelization
- X. Prayer

Once complete schedule a meeting with a member of the parish discernment team by contacting Bill Gent: phone (321) 773-2783 or email bgent@hnj.org