-Moments with the Master-



God's Gifts

—Part 2 (of 5)—

—Moments with the Master—

A series of 50 topics for refreshing and reflecting in quiet moments.

God's Gifts —Topic 09—

Each topic includes writings such as true stories, reflections, poems, words from Jesus, scriptures, praises and prayers, along with lovely contributed illustrations and photos to add colour and artistic beauty.

Part 2 (of 5)

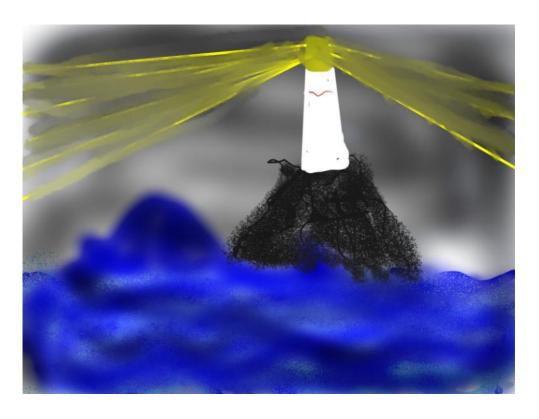
Written and compiled by Dina Ellens

Illustrations by A. Charles (11 yrs.)

www.nurture-inspire-teach.com



Wow Jesus, the gifts You give are so special! It's like opening presents! As I take time to unwrap them, and try them out, I know they are the best things I could ever wish for. Because they're from You, Jesus. You gave them to Me because You love me. Thank You, Jesus!



A boy and his dad read the Bible together every day. One day, they read Acts Chapter 2, about Pentecost and how the Holy Spirit came upon the early disciples. The boy was puzzled when he read the verse, "And they spoke with other tongues."

He asked his dad what it meant. The dad thought about it for a minute, then he said, "Tongues were given to to the disciples so that they could testify about the wonderful work God had done in sending His Son, Jesus. At that time, many people were gathered in Jerusalem and they all spoke different languages.

4



Because the disciples were given the gift of tongues, everyone could hear about Jesus in their own language."

"Wow," said the boy. "The Lord sure has cool gifts!"

"Yes," smiled his dad. "The Bible says that tongues are one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12). We can use tongues to be strengthened in the Lord in our devotion time. Tongues are a good gift but not the most important one. Do you know what's the most important gift?"

"Yes! The boy answered, "It's love!"



(Jesus says:) I have given each of My children different gifts so that they can work together, each one doing his part to make My Kingdom strong. Some have many gifts, some have fewer gifts. Some have showy gifts while others have hidden gifts.

Your rewards in this life and in the life to come will not be according to the number of gifts you have or what kind of gifts you have. Your rewards will be according to your faithfulness and what you do with the gifts I have given you.

Everything

Everything that's beautiful Everything that's wonderful Every perfect gift comes from You

Your grace, Your heart, Your voice, Your touch Your Word, Your peace, Your hope, Your love The only things that satisfy come from You, They come from You.

A thousand words could not explain A thousand worlds could not contain Every perfect gift comes from You

It comes from the Father of Lights.
It comes from the Giver of Life.
It comes from the heavens above.
It's coming straight from Your heart
To the people You love.

-Song Lyrics By Chris Tomlin

7



For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit;

To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit;

To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues:

(1 Corinthians 12:8-10)