



Life Principles Notes™

Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit

Part 9: The Gift of Organization

Summary:

Most of us fail to realize how much God loves us. We seldom consider all that He provides us, all the protection He offers, and all the ways He works in our lives. “For I know the plans that I have for you,” declares the LORD, “plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope” (Jeremiah 29:11).

God’s plans for us are perfect. Through the powers and gifts of the Holy Spirit, we can

discover and fulfill His plans. The gift of organization encompasses three qualities: organization, administration, and leadership. (Romans 12:8) We all need to acquire good organizational habits. The principle of organization is to be used wisely in every aspect of life.

Key Passage: Romans 12:8

Supporting Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11.

Scriptural Principles:

1 Those with the gift of organization see the big picture and visualize results.

The gifted organizer understands the various factors involved in any situation, as well as the practical steps necessary to reach a goal. This believer has a clear idea of the end result from the beginning, when others only see the present situation.

2 Those with the gift of organization compartmentalize large projects.

They break down the major goals into smaller, achievable tasks. Organizers understand that patience and care are necessary for achieving large and long-range goals. Therefore, they always divide a process into simpler steps that can be more readily achieved.

3 Those with the gift of organization are motivated and responsible.

Disorganized people often waste time because they have no plan. Organizers, however, apply their gift of planning to any task that faces them. They see the “big picture” and break it down to smaller tasks.

4 Those with the gift of organization identify resources to reach their goals.

In the Old Testament, Nehemiah wanted to rebuild the city of Jerusalem from its ruins. He knew the obstacles involved, and told the king exactly what he would need to overcome those challenges. Organizers always think in terms of resources available to them and keep informed about the status of these resources.

5 Those with the gift of organization know what can be delegated.

Organizers are realistic people. They take personal responsibility for projects, so they have a clear idea of which tasks to keep and which to delegate in order to meet their goals. These believers pay attention to which gifts other people have, and which people would be best to handle certain areas.

6 Those with the gift of organization avoid distraction and focus on results.

When God gives us goals, Satan will always try to distract us. At crucial times, we will notice side issues that prevent us from moving forward. Organized believers, however, refuse to take their focus from the end goal.

7 Those with the gift of organization can endure the reactions of others.

These believers realize there is never universal praise for those who act in obedience to God. Others are going to complain or criticize. Organizers focus on their important goals. They refuse to be distracted by critics, or to react in ways that will make them less productive. They are not overly sensitive to criticism.

8 Those with the gift of organization need loyalty from those they lead.

Organizers realize that loyalty is needed in order for them to succeed at any goal. They will take great care in hiring or appointing anyone to assist them. Loyalty is of crucial importance to them.

9 Those with the gift of organization enjoy assuming responsibility.

When a need appears for someone to take the lead, the organizer is the first person to volunteer. When organizers enter disorganized homes, for example, they will quickly offer plans for more effectively taking care of the untidiness around them. They love to use their gift to help others by bringing order.

10 Those with the gift of organization complete tasks as soon as possible.

Not only do organizers see the final goal, but they are also eager to reach it. They do not tolerate any kind of procrastination. These believers never wait until they feel “inspired” to work, but push forward with the next step as soon as possible. They focus not on feelings but on the task.

11 Those with the gift of organization derive joy from seeing a task completed.

These believers receive their greatest sense of fulfillment not through the approval of others, but from finishing the work. Knowing they planned a project and reached a goal fills them with joy. God wants us to be successful in our plans as they fit His own.

12 Those with the gift of organization are eager to move on to new challenges.

An organizer celebrates a job well done, but quickly asks, “What next?” This believer never dwells on past accomplishments, but regularly asks God what assignment He has waiting for him.

13 What are some misunderstandings of the gift of organization?

In the eyes of others, delegating responsibility may resemble the avoidance of work. Because organizers see people as resources, they may seem to lack concern for individuals. A desire for swift completion of a task can be misunderstood as insensitivity toward the limitations of others. Finally, the organizer is often accused of favoritism because he singles out those who are most productive in reaching goals.

14 What are the results of walking in the flesh for those with this gift?

Those with the gift of organization take the initiative, but they become apathetic in the flesh. Their sense of responsibility turns unreliable outside of God’s will, and their humility gives way to a dictatorial approach. Decisive organizers become doubters and determined ones become fainthearted when they live in the flesh.

Conclusion:

My friend, you may see yourself in this description of the godly organizer. If so, I challenge you to take hold of your gift and glorify God through it every day, helping those around you work toward His goals step by step.

Perhaps you are certain that this is not the gift God’s Spirit has given you. Even so, you can

be certain that the pursuit of goal-oriented planning and vision can make your life more joyful and fulfilling in every way. I challenge you to ask God today if your life is organized to bring Him glory. He will answer that prayer. After all, He has plans for you—to give you a future and a hope. 🙏

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