

## II Peter 1:1-15

## Summary of the passage:

Based on who you are in Christ, there are implicit qualities of your faith, that result in you being useful, fruitful, and stable; ...but if you have lost sight of these truths it indicates that you have forgotten who you are; so to be reminded often is important so you can recall them at a moments notice.

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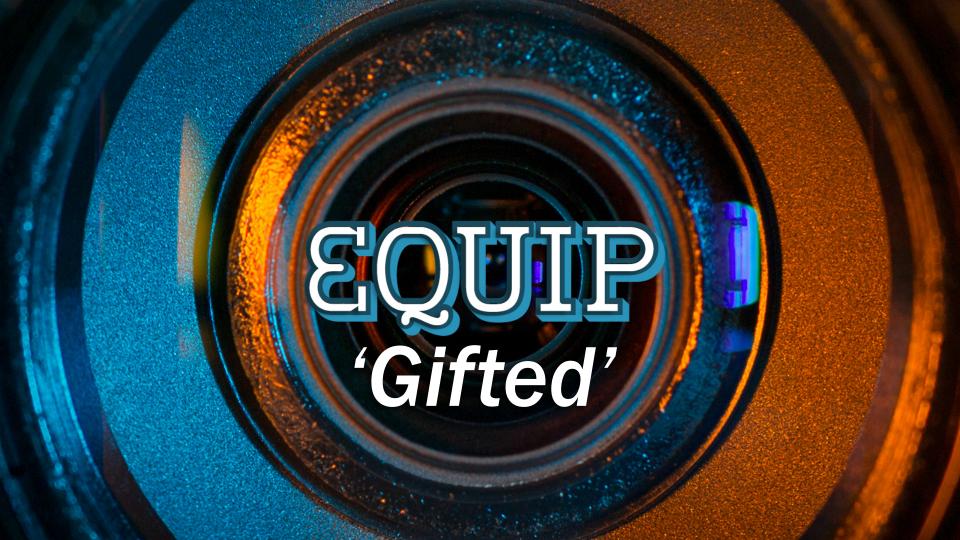
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- 12 For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.
- 13 For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body— Jews and Greeks, slaves or free— and all were made to drink of the one Spirit.
- 14 For the body does not consist of one member but of many.

- 15 If the foot should say,

  "Because I am not a hand,

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- 18 But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them as He choses.
- 19 If all were a single member, where would the body be?
- 20 As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.

- 21 The eye cannot say to the hand,
  "I have no need of you,"
  nor again the head to the feet,
  "I have no need of you."
- 22 On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable,
- 23 and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty,

- 24 which our more presentable part do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it,
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- 27 Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.
- 28 And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues.
- 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles?
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- 1 If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.
- 2 And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.
- 3 If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.



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