



# The Spiritual Gift of Teaching

## Definition

The gift of Teaching is the God-given ability to understand, clearly explain, and apply the Word of God in such a way that it is clearly understood by others.

#### Gifts in Action

Paul took every opportunity to teach, write, preach, and communicate the Gospel. He's the author of 13 New Testament epistles whose content displays his ability for analytical thinking and clear communication. On his first missionary journey, Paul taught at Iconium and "spoke so effectively" that a large number of Jews and Gentiles started believing in God that day. (Acts 14:1-3)

#### **Scripture References for Teaching**

- Romans 12:7
- 1 Corinthians 12:28-29
- Acts 18:24-28

#### People With This Gift Like to...

- Have extended times of study and reflection of God's Word.
- Challenge learners simply and practically with the truths of the Bible.
- Give attention to detail and accuracy.

### **Characteristics of People With Teaching**

- Disciplined
- Perceptive
- Teachable
- Practical
- Analytical
- Articulate

#### Potential Ways to Use the Gift of Teaching

- · Bible teacher to children, youth, or adults
- Teacher's assistant
- Small group leader/teacher
- Tutor
- Coach