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## WISDOM

### **Description:**

The gift of Wisdom is the divine enablement to apply spiritual truth effectively to meet a need in a specific situation.

### **Distinctives:** People with this gift...

- Focus on the unseen consequences in determining the next steps to take
- Receive an understanding of what is necessary to meet the needs of the body
- Provide divinely given solutions in the midst of conflict and confusion
- Hear the Spirit provide direction for God's best in a given situation
- Apply spiritual truth in specific and practical ways

### **Traits:**

- Sensible
- Insightful
- Practical
- Wise
- Fair
- Experienced
- Common Sense

### **Cautions:** People with this gift...

- Could fail to share the wisdom that God has given them
- Need to avoid having others develop a dependence upon them, which may weaken their faith in God
- Need to be patient with others who do not have this gift

### **References:**

- [1 Corinthians 12:8](#)
- [James 3:13-18](#)
- [1 Corinthians 2:3-14](#)
- [Jeremiah 9:23-24](#)

Definition taken from Network: Participants Manual, p. 95.