

## The Supernatural Grace on Ministry Gifts!

*KJV Ephesians 4:7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.*

There are a dozen different Greek words in the NT for Gift!

In this verse **grace** is “*charis*” and means a gift given that benefits those who receive it.

- The *charis* or *charisma* means “*being touched by God*”!

God’s touch empowers the person to share **God’s goodness** with others.

**Every believer** has been touched by God, it’s a free gift (**dorea**) of Christ, which is the meaning of “*gift*” at the end of the verse!

Again “*gift*” in this passage is “**dorea**” and means a gift freely given

The touch of God on the life of a believer is freely given by God, we don’t have to work for it or pray about it—we have it!

*Ephesians 4:8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.*

**This grace gift however is different from the touch believers get!**

- The word **gifts** in this verse is the Greek word “*doma*” it refers to the nature, character and essence of the gift among other things.

**Charisma** is the supernatural touch of God upon a natural person, while the **doma** gift itself is supernatural by nature because it comes from God

**Doma** reveals what the gift is by nature and what the gift does!

**Doma** gifts are the persons themselves, as well as the touch of God, they have it as well, but they are different by **nature**.

When we receive them, we are allowing a part of God into our lives!

*Mat 10:40 "He who receives you receives Me, and he who receives Me receives Him who sent Me.*

A touch is an external act that affects the internal, while the **doma gift** is what that person is internally by nature once received changes people from the inside!

It’s all supernatural, there’s nothing natural about receiving a **Doma** gift!

Our relationship with **doma** gifts is spiritual—primarily supernatural, it's not meant to be simply a natural relationship.

They might be friendly, but they are not put in our lives to be our friends, they might be nice, but they aren't your girl, they might be cool but he ain't your boy!

**You'll miss God if you ignore the spiritual seeking the natural!**

- **Doma** also means "*a dose of medicine*"!

We know that certain medicine is **prescribed only by doctors** and some medications you can get over the counter from anyone anywhere.

The doctor is an example of the **Doma gift**! The ability is in them not just on them or around them!

The over the counter medicine is like the **charisma gift**, its commonly available you don't need the specialized ability of a doctor!

**Doma gifts are Jesus prescriptions for a sin sick world; for those who live in a world full of spiritual wickedness and evil.**

Paul helps us understand in **Ephesians 4:8** *Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.*

Jesus after His crucifixion went to the highest places (the places where the rulers of this world hold court) to the principalities and powers and took their authority.

He took those captive that ruled over us and gave **doma** to men which is the remedy, cures (that which takes care of the sickness) to mankind.

- ❖ **The Five-fold ministry gifts are the God given cures for everything that afflicts mankind!**

**Did you really hear what I just said? The answer to what ill's man is not at the United Nations, a Political Party or Clean Energy!**

Today we have people who say... *"I don't need a church, I don't need a pastor, I can go to God by myself—yes you can!"*

**God has set it up so that some things you can get only from a **doma gift**.**

*"Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper."* **2 Chron 20:20**

Some levels of prosperity are connected to receiving a prophet!

*Jeremiah 3:15 And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.*

There are some things you can't learn on your own, you need a pastor!

### How can you love Jesus and not love and respect His ministry gifts?

After the gift of The Holy Spirit, the fruit and gifts of The Spirit there is nothing more valuable God can give us but the **doma gifts**.

Jesus gave the **doma** gifts to mankind as a remedy for the effects of the curse.

They are:

*KJV Ephesians 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;*

Apostle's prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers are an extension of Jesus Christ, they carry the same nature as Jesus.

Just as Jesus Himself was of supernatural origin; He entered into the world by supernatural means and not natural.

So too, does the apostle, prophet, evangelist, pastor and teacher enter his world by supernatural means.

We are not products of mans ideas, systems or efforts!

Seminaries can't make apostles, Bible Colleges can't make prophets, and denominations can't make pastors.

Other men and women of God can't make **doma** gifts!

- Nobody can make **Doma Gifts** put Jesus Christ!

**I stand here very boldly and confidently and say to you in love, you cannot compare a man or women of God to other men & women.**

The apostle Paul says in **Rom 11:13** "*I magnify mine office.*"

They are different because God made them so! They're supernatural!

The world has devalued and disrespected them!

**But scripture tells us to place high value on Doma gifts:**

*1 Thessalonians 5:12 Brothers and sisters, we ask you to show your appreciation for those leaders who work among you and instruct you.*

*13 We ask you to love them and think very highly of them because of the work they are doing. Live in peace with each other.*

*ESV 1 Timothy 5:17 Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching.*

Ministry gifts are **supernatural in nature**, they are not like other people

Most other people are what they are by way of study and training, **doma gifts** are what they are by the **grace of God**.

This is why the apostle Paul said: *“I am what I am by the grace of God!”* (1 Cor 15:10).

- **Doma** also means *“home, or house builder”* where the word **domicile** comes from.

The Five-fold **doma** gifts are given by Christ to build His House, Church and Spiritual Family!

We need to be a part of God’s supernatural family and the **doma** gifts were given for that purpose!

*GWN Ephesians 4:12 Their purpose is to prepare God's people to serve and to build up the body of Christ.*

*13 This is to continue until all of us are united in our faith and in our knowledge about God's Son, until we become mature, until we measure up to Christ, who is the standard.*

*14 Then we will no longer be little children, tossed and carried about by all kinds of teachings that change like the wind. We will no longer be influenced by people who use cunning and clever strategies to lead us astray.*

Notice Paul zero’s in on what the **doma** gifts do after people come to faith in Christ!

1. Prepare, equip and train.
2. To do the work of ministry.
3. Building The Body of Christ.
4. Unifying believers.
5. Increasing your knowledge of Jesus Christ
6. Help believers mature in their faith.
7. Keep saints from being influence by false doctrine.
8. Teach saints how to tell the truth with love

*KJV Jeremiah 3:14 Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:*

*15 And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.*