

Spiritual Gifts in Risen King Services

Prophecy in Public Worship:

1 Cor. 14:3 (NKJV) But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.

1 Cor. 14:24,25 (NKJV) But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an uninformed person comes in, he is convinced by all, he is convicted by all. And thus the secrets of his heart are revealed; and so, falling down on *his* face, he will worship God and report that God is truly among you.

1 Cor. 14:29-33 (NKJV) Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others judge. But if *anything* is revealed to another who sits by, let the first keep silent. For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged. And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. For God is not *the author* of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.

1. All prophecy must be for edification, exhortation, and comfort. (vs. 3,24,25)
2. God can give a prophetic word through any believer for the purpose of encouraging and teaching His people. (vs. 31)
3. Instruction for Risen King: If God gives you a word for the church during the service, write it out, bring it to an Usher and they will bring it to a member of our pastoral team who will judge whether it is for now or later...you are the postman...it's God's word, not yours...so don't get offended by how or when it's used. (vs.29)
4. "The spirit of the prophet is subject to the prophet." For those who say they can't 'hold it'...yes you can. (vs. 32,33)
5. There will come times when the Pastor will say, "I sense that God wants to speak to us right now in a special way...let's take a moment to listen for his voice." **Only in these moments**, a prophetic word can be given to the body by someone who is a member of Risen King without writing it out...if the Spirit prompts someone to do so. (vs. 29)

Tongues and Interpretation of Tongues in Public Worship:

1 Cor. 14:5,12 (NKJV) I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies *is* greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification... Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual *gifts*, *let it be* for the edification of the church *that* you seek to excel.

1. Everything is to be done for the edification of the church. (vs. 5)

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2. Instruction for Risen King:

a. If God gives you a message in tongues for the church during the service quietly, go to an Usher and they will share it with a member of our pastoral team who will judge whether it is for now or later...you are the postman...it's God's word, not yours...so don't get offended by how or when it's used. (vs.29)

b. Should the message in tongues be determined to be used during the service, the pastor will allow the person onto the stage and the pastor will hold the microphone while the message in tongues is given. The Person giving the message will only speak the message in tongues on the stage and into the microphone. The Pastor will then have the congregation enter into a time of brief prayer and will explain that we are giving the Holy Spirit time to speak to someone's heart and give them the corresponding interpretation.

*Only if there is no interpretation given by another person should the person speaking in tongues give the interpretation.

3. Don't be zealous about being used in the gifts so you can look important.(vs. 12)

1 Cor. 14:22-25 (NKJV) Therefore tongues are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers; but prophesying is not for unbelievers but for those who believe. Therefore if the whole church comes together in one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in *those who are* uninformed or unbelievers, will they not say that you are out of your mind? But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an uninformed person comes in, he is convinced by all, he is convicted by all. And thus the secrets of his heart are revealed; and so, falling down on *his* face, he will worship God and report that God is truly among you.

4. The public expression of tongues is given as a sign to unbelievers so they'll be convinced and convicted that God is really speaking to them and so the secrets of their hearts be revealed causing them to fall on their face and worship God, reporting to everyone, "God is truly among you." (vs. 22-25)

5. Tongues and interpretation is NOT the same as prophecy. Prophecy is for believers (and unbelievers)...the public expression of tongues is primarily used

as an sign (alarm) to get the unbeliever's attention, so God can speak to their hearts and call them to salvation....it is a supernatural Altar Call. (vs. 22-25)

1 Cor. 14:27,28 (NKJV) If anyone speaks in a tongue, *let there be two or at the most three, each* in turn, and let one interpret. But if there is no interpreter, let him keep silent in church, and let him speak to himself and to God.

6. There shouldn't be more than three public expressions of tongues and interpretations (altar calls) in one meeting. (vs. 27)

1 Cor. 14:39,40 (NKJV) Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak with tongues. Let all things be done decently and in order.

Bottom line:

- Everyone should desire earnestly to prophecy (and for all the gifts)
- We shouldn't forbid speaking in tongues
- Everything should be done decently and in order

Important notes:

There is no need for a prophecy or interpretation to be in the King James English. You don't have to speak in King James English to make a prophecy legitimate. God can talk to us in our modern day vernacular. You don't need to speak harshly or in a different voice when God speaks through you...this should all be "naturally supernatural."