



What is Speaking in Tongues?

The supernatural ability to speak in foreign languages

1. A spiritual _____ from God. **14:2**
2. A desirable gift even though it isn't a requirement of faith. **1 Corinthians 12:28-31**
3. Less important to the whole body of believers than _____. **14:4**
4. A sign for Unbelievers, not believers. **14:22**
5. A _____ language, but not know to the speaker. **14:14-17, Acts 2:1-8**

Instructions for Tongues During Public Worship Services

1. No more than 2 or 3 should speak in tongues **14:27a**
2. Only _____ person speaking at a time **14:27b**
3. An Interpreter must be present, or you should not speak in tongues. **14:30**
4. _____ were excluded from doing so in the public service. **14:34**
5. Everything should be done properly and in _____.

6 Proofs That Speaking in Tongues Has Already Ceased

1. _____ indicates that tongues did cease.
2. Missionaries still need to go to language school.
3. Tongues was an inferior gift to prophecy (_____). Preaching the Word of God edifies believers, whereas tongues does not.
4. The miracle (or sign) gifts are only mentioned in the earliest epistles.
5. The Bible said they would _____. **1 Corinthians 13:9-12**

Verse 9, "Cease" in the Greek is PAVO. Literally means that tongues will make themselves cease. They will come to an automatic end.

The word "perfect" in verse 10, means that which is mature, whole, or complete.

The _____ of communication gifts was a completion of the New Testament. With the completion of the New Testament we no longer need the gifts of inspired speaking/prophecies and supernatural knowledge.

6. The Church _____ up.
Verse 10, "I spoke as a child" (points to tongues). "I understood as a child" (points to special knowledge). "I thought as a child" (points to prophecy).

Speaking in Tongues today is purely a psychological _____ that results in the repetition of _____ sounds and syllables.

Connection Group Questions

Further Study on the Sermon from July 31, 2022

1. Paul changes direction in his letter now and discusses the amazing gifts that God grants to his children. What are some of your unique gifts, attributes, and abilities?
2. How do you serve a useful function at home, at work, or in the church?
3. The book of first Corinthians offers a beautiful definition of love. Who is one of the most loving people you know? Why?
4. According to Paul's teaching, what is the source and purpose of spiritual gifts?
5. Check out **Romans 12:4-8**. What does Romans reveal about spiritual gifts?
6. Read **1 Peter 4:10-11**. How does this passage shatter any notion that spiritual gifts should be a source of sinful pride?
7. Read **Isaiah 28:9-12**. In what way were tongues intended as a sign of judgment on the Jews as well as a sign of blessings to the Gentiles?