
Subject: Attending a church that lacks the gifts... what's the point?

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Hombre,

You stated in the "Welcome Buckley" thread:

Quote: There are other issues for me in attending a church in which a variety show has taken precedence over the gifts and moving of the Holy Spirit, and the fact that what is coming from the pulpit is not preparing anyone for much of anything except a guilty reach for their wallets and some compulsory service for something that parallels the local Jaycees efforts.

This got me to thinking about the question: Why attend a church where the gifts aren't recognized?

I mean, what is the point?

All here should know what I mean by "the gifts"... I'm talking about the supernatural ones mentioned in 1Cor 12 and elsewhere.

I can certainly understand the leadership limiting the gifts under certain circumstances, but to become yoked to a church that doesn't provide an atmosphere that would allow tongues, interpretation, etc., would seem an exercise in futility. What is to be gained by attending that type of church?

Can anyone truly say that the mere attendance trumps not attending under those circumstances?

What would be the minimum requirements that would constitute a God-ordained Church?

Anyone?

Blessings,
William