

*Spiritual
Gifts*



Questions & Answers

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The Aptitude for Providing

Definition: (metodidemi) - To Give A Share Of
Impart To

Description:

- (1) An unusual ability to make wise purchases and investments.
- (2) Have a desire to give quietly to effective ministries and projects. Choose to avoid recognition or publicity.
- (3) Enjoy meeting needs without pressure appeals.
- (4) Experience great joy when their gift is an answer to a specific prayer.
- (5) Have a real desire to use their giving to motivate others to give.
- (6) Giving makes this person feel a part of the work or person to whom they give.
- (7) Feel that their gifts must be of high quality.
- (8) A dependency on their spouse's counsel to confirm the amount of the gift.

Problems or Misunderstandings:

- (1) This person may be perceived as being materialistic or too focused on temporal values.
- (2) Their desire to be involved in a ministry may appear as an attempt to control the work or a person.
- (3) Because they give quietly and they are sometimes unresponsive to pressure appeals, they may appear to lack generosity.
- (4) This individual may live a very frugal life which is misunderstood by friends and relatives as being stingy.
- (5) Because the function of their gift is done quietly, people sometime feel that "givers" are uninvolved in "real ministry."
- (6) Their need to give quality gifts may be misunderstood as "trying to impress others."
- (7) Their effort to motivate others to give can be misunderstood as bragging.

Ultimate Benefit to the Body of Christ -

Those gifted in the area of giving help provide needed funds for the ministry and work of the body of Christ to fulfill our mission. They serve as inspirational teachers to the church of how God blesses a faithful giver. They are sensitive to needs for physical resources for the ministry to be fulfilled.

Biblical Example: Joseph of Arimathea