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This Releasing Spiritual Gifts Study Guide is part of the Chamber of Action Series: Exploring Principles | Experiencing Power. Do you want to walk in the supernatural gifts of the Holy Spirit? Do you want solid scripture-based teaching on each of the nine gifts? Do you love testimonies of the power and revelation of God? Then go no further! In these sessions, James draws from scripture and adds perspective from many diverse streams to bring you clear definitions and exhort you into activation and release. The topics covered are subjects like: How Does the Holy Spirit Move, What Offends the Holy Spirit, and many other lessons from years of experience. Find fresh activation in the gifts of the Holy Spirit today! This study guide is great for individual study in your own home, with a small group, or in a classroom setting. It also serves as part of the core curriculum for a course by the same title in our God Encounters Training - eSchool of the Heart (visit www.GETeSchool.com for more info). At the end of each detailed lesson are simple questions for your reflection and review. As you work through these lessons you will have the tools needed to begin walking in the fullness of your spiritual gifts. "The Power of Intimacy with Christ" is a book full of spiritual resources for growing your relationship with God. It provide tools and resources for overcoming the obstacles that hinder building intimacy with Christ. In today's society there are many things that demand our time and distract us from developing and maintaining our most important relationship, relationship with God. This book is rich with practical biblical principles and devotions for enhancing intimacy with the lover of your soul, Jesus Christ. You will experience the Spirit of God as you turn the pages of this Spirit-filled book. We all have a call of God but we need to discern our call. God's call is more than just some position in the Church. In this informative Book: Discerning the Call of God, I'll begin this by

sharing two main keys to help you break out and break into your destiny. You will be refreshed with enthusiasm to continue your journey into the center of God's purposes for your life. The lies of the enemy will be broken as you discover God's great desire for you to run the race that He has set before you your high calling with joy and excellence. I will share about the heart of three more important keys; keys that will position you well for discerning your call. Night and day hot and cold up and down give and take dead and alive. Hey! What do all of these phrases have in common? You guessed it. Each one illustrates some things that are opposite. Do your teens hear the voice of God when they're making important decisions? The Power of Discernment empowers teens to discern the spiritual presence and action of God in their lives, showing them how to make healthy choices. The book helps teens use discernment to deal with peer pressure, friends, sexuality, change, and family well-being. It makes spiritual discernment understandable, practical, and useful for you and your teens. A basic guide to discerning the will of God. "How do I know what God's will is for my life?" It is perhaps the most common question asked by Christians today. Dr. Bill Thrasher has provided a basic guide to the fundamentals of seeking God's will in *Living the Life God Has Planned*. Thrasher teaches readers that they must first seek to know God on a more intimate level before His will becomes more apparent to them. Readers of all maturity levels will appreciate the simplicity and practical nature of this product. The book is about the importance of knowing God's will for one's life, which is paramount in having a harmonious and fulfilling relationship with God. When there's uncertainty concerning the will of God in any aspect of one's existence, it results in confusion and anxiety. Too many Christians go through life and never realize God's perfect will during their sojourn in time. In doing so, believers are robbed of the privilege of experiencing God's best for their lives. It also deprives them of having an overcoming, fruitful, spirit-filled, joyful, and peaceful life. Not discerning God's perfect will for your life will cause you to live far below your rights and privileges in Christ. The recognition of God's purpose for your life will provide a sense of identity, belongingness, vocation, and guidance, which serves to connect you to a higher purpose—the Kingdom of God. The truth is that not much attention is paid to this very critical area of Christianity today. However, it is the very heart of efficient and authentic Christian living. Without a clear understanding of God's will in one's life, one may feel like or even become a square peg in a round hole, especially as it pertains to identifying the appropriate ministries and where to serve effectively in the body of Christ. *Flowing in God's Purpose* offers different perspectives concerning spiritual warfare. It was written with theology as its theme. It is intended to show areas of our lives where the enemy may not be discernible. In our humanity, it is normal to observe trials, tests, and annoyances from a physical or psychological realm; however, we miss the bigger picture when we take an improper perspective. God understands our initial reactions because he gave us emotions. Emotions do have a place in our lives and are often manifested at the outset of trial. *Flowing in God's Purpose* was not written to seek agreement; it was written to offer different perspectives. Through this prayerful and practical guide, groups will learn

how to incorporate creative silence, attentive listening, imagination, intuition, scripture and prayer into routine meetings and working retreats."One of the strongest elements is its keen awareness. *Becoming a Blessed Church* will help you discern God's purpose and the path God is calling your congregation to walk. This book will help you find Christ in your midst and become aware of the many ways the blessings of God's Spirit flow through your congregation. This second edition includes three new practical chapters that answer the questions the author is most frequently asked. Integrating the wisdom of Christian tradition and recent psychological findings on effective decision-making, this book presents a view of Christian discernment that honors the body-spirit unity of the person and the broad and mysterious ways we can be led by the spirit of God in our life-choices. Going beyond discernment skills and concrete practices, this book presents a coherent theoretical understanding of discernment that grounds the many spiritual practices used by Christians today. By providing a broad and inclusive understanding of the multiple ways God can provide guidance to individuals, this book helps individuals to honor the unique and idiosyncratic way that they receive divine guidance, as well as provides guidelines that guard against possible self-deception and personal blind-spots. While including anecdotal accounts and practical elements of Christian discernment, this book provides a conceptual understanding of discernment that will be helpful for those training to be professional ministers, pastors, priests, religious counselors, and spiritual directors. It is unique in applying Christian tradition and contemporary psychological insights to the process of discernment. Bible study, research, and fieldwork merge in this book of practical principles for decision making by spiritual discernment. The step-by-step approach can be used to help any size group learn a new way to make decisions--a way that is interactive, spiritual, and rooted in faith practices and community. Small groups, committees, church boards, church leaders at all levels, and seminary professors will find this book valuable. This is a revised and updated version of the book, originally published in 1997. This new version included revised and updated material, as well as a new introduction by Charles Olsen. Suicide, for years, has been a public health crisis in the Western world. Yet more and more states and countries are allowing physician assisted suicide or euthanasia. Have you wondered whether it is actually wrong to end your life if you are mortally ill? Susan Windley-Daoust engages in an extended discussion with a game dialogue partner who thinks that there are five good reasons to employ physician-assisted suicide--and proves those common reasons (or "tricks of the heart") may be well-intended, but make no moral or spiritual sense. She argues that PAS is based in medical ignorance, a utilitarian understanding of the human, and a spiritual vacuum--and the Christian Church needs to engage these realities quickly and directly by recovering the art of dying well. This book is written to all those considering the issue, from those considering PAS as an option in their own lives, to those called upon to vote on the legality of PAS in their states, to those who minister to the dying. The Youth Ministry and Spirituality Project was formed in 1997 to participate in the renewal of youth ministry in the Christian church. Its mission is to foster Christian communities that are

attentive to God's presence, discerning of the Spirit and who accompany young people into the way of Jesus. Our mission is founded on the biblical vision of the human person who is created in the image and likeness of God and whose deepest longing is for communion with God and others in love. In response to Christ's invitation to abide in him (John 15:4), we believe that the central purpose of youth ministry is to open the minds and hearts of young persons to an intimate relationship with God in Christ through the indwelling power of the Holy Spirit. We seek to fulfill our mission through retreats, workshops, training events, written materials, and relationships that promote a contemplative approach to youth discipleship. The contemplative approach to youth ministry is based on a Christian community's commitment to cultivate attentiveness to God's Presence in the lives of young people and is supported in the following seven ways: SABBATH, PRAYER, COVENANT COMMUNITY, ACCOMPANIMENT, DISCERNMENT, HOSPITALITY, AUTHENTIC ACTION. Efforts to construct a Christian theology of religions have inevitably stumbled on the Christian scandal of particularity—the historical Jesus of Nazareth. What, however, if we began by focusing on the universal presence and activity of God in the world as symbolized by the Holy Spirit? Yong develops just such a pneumatological approach to religions, drawing, by way of resource, on the Pentecostal-charismatic experience of the Spirit. This book thus invites Pentecostals, charismatics, and other Christians to conceive of how a pneumatological approach to religions can invigorate the wider ecumenical conversation. At the same time, it also brings recent Pentecostal-charismatic scholarship into dialogue with a broader audience, including those interested in philosophical theology, world religions, global spiritualities, and comparative religion and theology. God's call is more than just some position in the Church. In this informative *Book: Discerning the Call of God*, Bill Vincent begins this by sharing two main keys to help you break out and break into your destiny. You will be refreshed with enthusiasm to continue your journey into the center of God's purposes for your life. The lies of the enemy will be broken as you discover God's great desire for you to run the race that He has set before you your high calling with joy and excellence. Heir to a great promise, Jacob should have lived a life defined by God's presence. Instead, it was often characterized by conflict, deception, and selfish ambition. Yet, Jacob's story shows us how God remained with Jacob, just as He remains with believers today. *Jacob: Discerning God's Presence* will help you gain insights into Jacob's story as you explore the themes, context, and cultural background of the text. Find new ways to apply Jacob's life lessons to your own life with discussion and reflection questions. A collaborative effort by editor John D. Barry and writers Derek R. Brown, Miles Custis, Douglas Mangum, and Wendy Widder, this resource will help you dig deep into the life of Joseph. Walk with Jacob, and discover what it means to know and respond to God's presence. Contents: Setting the Stage Explore theme, literary context, and the historical and cultural backgrounds of Jacob's story. A Closer Look Explore the narrative while considering issues of interpretation, original language, and theology. Throughout the Bible Examine references to the narrative elsewhere in the Bible. Beyond the Bible

Consider references to the narrative in ancient documents and extracanonical texts and references and by theologians, the church fathers, and contemporary thinkers.

Application Explore the events relevance to your journey of faith. Only through learning to hear with our hearts tuned closely to God can we discern how we should find our way through the crowded and confusing thickets of our lives. In *Hearing with the Heart*, popular writer and retreat leader Debra K. Farrington leads you through a gentle process for discovering how to invite God's presence into every aspect of your daily life. Her story-filled discussions of key practices such as prayer, meditation, reading and reflection, and attentiveness to your body, your studies, and your relationships with your friends and family, help you discover how to be open to discerning God's will. Filled with a wealth of exercises, guidelines, and tools, *Hearing with the Heart* gives you the practical help you need to bring you closer to God. As you put these suggestions into practice you will find yourself opening more and more to God's infinite possibilities for you. How do we become both willing and able to do what God asks of us? In this expanded edition of a spiritual formation classic, psychologist and spiritual director David G. Benner explores the transformation of the will in Christian spirituality, examining why our desires are disordered and how we can align our hearts with God's.

Eyewitness to Glory is an in-depth Bible study in workbook format. The study takes readers on a ten-week journey with Moses as eyewitness to God's active presence continually working on behalf of His people. This prophetic author, with the gift of discerning of spirits, focuses here on the antichrist spirit, system, and structure. This is not conjecture on the identity of the Antichrist! But specific antichrist strongholds, she says, have infiltrated the thoughts and belief systems even of Christians, preventing them (like the twelve tribes of Israel) from entering their Promised Land. Sharing in God's Presence means far more than "getting saved" and experiencing God's blessing in our lives. As believers, his presence becomes a very personal part of who we are and what we do—God actually shares himself with us! The language that we use often fails to capture the depths of God's nature penetrating ours, the fullness of his Spirit permeating our hearts, and the innermost infusion of his presence in our lives. But the truth couldn't be more intimate: "The person who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him" (1 Corinthians 6:17)! This book is an invitation to share in God's presence by allowing God to share himself with you. God wants everyone to share in his embrace. As we accept our responsibility for prayer, ministry, and even revival, we share in the very precious dynamic of give and response that's involved in an intimate walk with Jesus Christ. For a general readership, this book is a reworking of material from the second half of the author's academic work *God's Absence and the Charismatic Presence*. Discusses how to apply St. Ignatius' Rules for Discernment to one's everyday life in order to improve one's relationship with God. Includes a question and reflection section at the end of each chapter. Framed around the monastic concept of praying through the hours of the day, Leighton Ford helps you to develop spiritual attentiveness so you can pay attention to how God is working through you and in the world around you. Now in Trade Paper! Theologian R.C. Sproul has the unique ability

to take difficult Christian concepts and make them both fascinating and personal. In his first devotional, this popular author provides an intimate portrait of God's numerous attributes. In *The Presence of God* is divided into 15 sections, based on 15 distinct attributes of God that teach us how we can live more fully as children of God. Each brief reading contains a Scripture verse and a message of encouragement and wisdom from the pen of R.C. Sproul. If you're spiritually hungry for a devotion of substance, let R.C. Sproul take you *In the Presence of God*. Topics include: Knowing God Meeting with God Facing Life's Challenges with God Discerning God's Will Experiencing God's Best We all have a call of God but we need to discern our call. God's call is more than just some position in the Church. In this informative *Book: Discerning the Call of God*, I'll begin this by sharing two main keys to help you break out and break into your destiny. You will be refreshed with enthusiasm to continue your journey into the center of God's purposes for your life. The lies of the enemy will be broken as you discover God's great desire for you to run the race that He has set before you your high calling with joy and excellence. I will share about the heart of three more important keys; keys that will position you well for discerning your call. Night and day hot and cold up and down give and take dead and alive. Hey! What do all of these phrases have in common? You guessed it. Each one illustrates some things that are opposite. Sabbath is intentional time taken by individuals and faith communities to integrate the Divine with humanity and creation. Practicing Sabbath leads us to a fuller understanding of who we are as children of God. This book applies to all adults and youth who have not had much experience in a faith community or who are moving to a new faith tradition. Activities in this book help readers explore congregational practices (whether a new participant or not) and make connections to others in the congregation. Practicing our faith is a lifelong process. When completed, this series will offer 24 practices in 10 different life settings. This series can be used at any time or stage in your life. ?Spiritual direction is a burgeoning ministry in today's church where the emphasis is on joining in with what God is already doing in the world – an approach that presupposes spiritual discernment. This guide explores spiritual direction from biblical and theological perspectives and aims both to inform teaching and equip practitioners with greater reflective skills. Written by two experienced teachers and practitioners, it includes:

- God and Spiritual Direction – divine presence and absence, discerning God, relationship and the Trinity, images of the Holy Spirit;
- Humanity and God – being made in the image of God, sin, addiction, desire, freedom, psychology in direction;
- The Bible and Spiritual Direction – scripture as a source and authority for direction; uses and abuses of the Bible in direction;
- Spiritual Direction across the Christian traditions;
- Spiritual Direction and the Church – boundaries, accountability and safeguarding.

Where do you seek God? Are you waiting for him to appear in a monumental, life-altering event? In *God Moments*, Catholic blogger Andy Otto shows you how to discover the unexpected beauty of God's presence in the story of ordinary things and in everyday routines like preparing breakfast or walking in the woods. Drawing on the Ignatian principles of awareness, prayer, and discernment, Otto will

help you discover the transforming power of God's presence in your life and better understand your place in the world. Andy Otto found God's presence in surprising moments during his life—when, as a Jesuit scholastic, he taught children in Jamaica and also as he discerned the call to marriage with his wife. By combining elements of Ignatian spirituality with the lessons that came from his experiences, Otto identified three practices that helped him find God in all things: Awareness—Gain an understanding that God is present in the ordinary messiness of our lives such as battle with depression or sharing in the struggle of a friend. Prayer—Develop a prayer life using Ignatian practices such as asking for a morning grace and examining how your prayer was answered at the end of the day. That way you can focus on a personal relationship with God that finds everyday physical activities such as making a meal as an opportunity to talk to him. Discernment—The more you are aware of God's presence and draw closer to him in prayer, the better you can learn how to plug into God's narrative of the world in a way that enables you to participate in the divine story through the use of your gifts and talents. With *God Moments* as a guide, you'll have a better understanding of how to seek personal wholeness in the reality of God's presence in the ordinary and learn to accept his invitation to participate in his transformation of the world. Spiritual discernment is a key theme in the Scriptures. From the Garden when Adam and Eve turned away from the simplest terms of a relationship with God, to the Garden when John the Apostle wrote the book of Revelation to a distracted people anticipating eternity, discerning God has been the heart of the matter. In modern times, however, we have forgotten the basic premise of practicing a preference for God, out of which we then are invited to live for God. Instead, we have implanted strategic planning, head-to-head battling, and will-of-God knowing in its place. In *The Discerning Life*, Stephen A. Macchia seeks to upend the one-eyed and limited Christian understandings of spiritual discernment and invite readers and leaders to reconsider how they prioritize the care of their souls, the grace of their communities, and the mission of their lives, churches, and organizations. When we have a fuller understanding of how spiritual discernment matters to the whole of our lives, we will in turn encourage others to follow likewise and then lean fully into the mission, mandate, and message of the whole counsel of God. We need companions on our spiritual journey. In this inviting guide, David G. Benner introduces readers to the riches of spiritual friendship and direction, explaining what they are and how they are practiced. Through prayerful, guided attunement to God's activity, sacred companions provide care for the soul, and Benner models the kind of traveling companion who can move us toward deeper intimacy with God. "Discerning of Spirits" is a book composed of scriptures that impart knowledge of the spirit realm. This teaching will help the disciple discern, fight, and overcome evil's domination. Influence and victory in the physical realm begin with the victory won by Christ's all-mighty and all-powerful Spirit. This study will enlighten the soul to workings in the spirit realm, to God's authority and power over spirits, and the attempt of evil to thwart God's rule of the kingdom within. This book is for those who - seek good discernment, - want to know how to live and move and have

their being in Christ, - want to get past denomination doctrine to know the Truth, - are called to be an intercessor, - want to discern between God's voice, evil's voice, and their own voice, - want to know how to effectively bind and loose on earth according to what is bound and loosed in heaven, - want to grow in the knowledge of Truth, - want to know how to walk in the power and authority of Christ, - want to know from which Spirit/spirit they operate, and - want to rightly relate the Gospel to others. Please see the bookmark on the last page for convenience and quick reference. Popular author Ben Campbell Johnson discusses how the will of God relies on the depths of the human psyche. He addresses in specific terms how one may use intuition, imagination, and memory to ascertain the leading of God's will. Johnson claims that once God's will is sensed, one must trust that God will continue to give guidance. For each chapter, a series of reflection exercises is provided along with a brief guide to the process of discernment. Richard Peace unpacks what it means to make a conscious practice of noticing God in daily life. He explores the various ways people experience and recognize God's presence in mystical encounters, ordinary life, our hearts, through other people, through Scripture, nature and the church. God is present in our world. You can encounter him. Here's how. We are living in such critical times today that it is imperative for believers to learn to use every tool given to us by the Holy Spirit. We are called to be kingdom influencers--to discern the times in which we live, to discern the moves of the Holy Spirit, and to discern angels and demons. With extensive expertise and personal experience, prophetic leader Jane Hamon takes a deep dive, biblically and practically, into one of the least known and most unused gifts of the Holy Spirit, covering the following topics: - discerning the presence of God - discerning the times - discerning angels and demons - discerning the hearts of people around you - acting wisely with what you discern - walking in wisdom and balance - and more This book will help you operate in greater spiritual authority and walk in wisdom as you help build God's kingdom on earth. De La Salle is recognized as the patron of teachers because he taught, worked out the best ways to instruct poor children, and trusted that God would guide and bless him each step of the way. The meditations in this book are designed to help readers pray with De La Salle on such themes as faith, zeal, trusting in Providence, the person of the teacher, perseverance, and discerning God's will. Stories about De La Salle, his writings, and passages from the Scriptures form the basis of each meditation. Many of the other books in the Companions for the Journey series are available from Word Among Us Press at <http://bookstore.wau.org>. This 20th anniversary edition introduces the unique approach of Listening Hearts to the spiritual practice of discernment for a new generation. Written to make the often elusive and usually clergy-centered spiritual practice of discernment accessible to all people, Listening Hearts features simple reflections and exercises drawn from scripture and from Quaker and Ignatian traditions. The seminal work in the Listening Hearts Series, this book has been a beloved resource for tens of thousands of individual readers, retreat participants, small groups and church leaders, listening for and responding to God's call in their lives.

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