

Speaking in Tongues and Spiritual Gifts What You Need to Know

1. Rapidly spreading through Christian Communities around the world.
2. The modern tongues began in Los Angeles, 1906, in a home, **which became the Azusa Street Mission.**
3. In the New Testament,
 - Acts. 2:1-12 the Apostles spoke in tongues
 - Acts 10:34-44 the household of Cornelius
 - Acts 19:1-7 disciples of John the Baptist
 - 1 Corinthians 12-14 the Corinthian demand for preeminence
4. The **FIRST** century went from year 1 to year 99
The **SECOND** century went from year 101 to year 199
5. Tongues ceased at the end of the 1st Century. Justin Martyr (100-165), Irenaeus (130-202), Origen (184-253), Chrysostom (349-403), and Augustine (354-403) all testify to this.
6. NT testifies that upon immersion, we are given the gift of the Holy Spiritual
Acts 2:38
7. Only the Apostles had the ability to lay hands on a person which gave that person the gift of speaking in tongues or performing miracles.
8. Acts 8:4-14. Philip had the Apostles lay hands on him. When he was in Samaria, he could perform miracles, but could not pass that gift on to another.
9. Some gifts are temporary. Some gifts are permanent.
10. Temporary gifts were to be replaced by something permanent. This is what Paul is saying in 1 Corinthians 12-14.

1 Corinthians 13:10 (NASB)

10 but when the perfect comes, the partial will be done away.

Question: What is the perfect?

1 Corinthians 13:8-10 (NASB)

8 Love never fails; but if there are gifts of prophecy, they will be done away; if there are tongues, they will cease; if there is knowledge, it will be done away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part; 10 but when the perfect comes, the partial will be done away.

Perfect is Greek “teleion”

4894. τέλειος *teleios* adj

Complete, perfect, whole; full-grown, mature, adult.

a. perfection: Rom 12:2; James 1:17

b. mature: 1 Cor 2:6; Eph. 4:13

c. complete: James 2:22; 1 Jn 25; 1 Cor. 13:10

1. Teleion is contrasted with something partial
2. Teleion is neuter
 - if masculine it would refer to the complete man
 - but here it refers to “the complete thing”
 - future tense means it will happen
3. Teleion will replace a very specific kind of gift.
4. the complete thing can't be faith. 2 Cor. 5:7. Not a thing.
5. the complete thing can't be hope. When Christ comes again, no need for hope. Rom. 8:24. Not a thing.
6. the complete thing can't be love. Love is not a thing. Love is not a revealed-knowledge kind of thing. Love is permanent.
7. The only “thing” that satisfies all the requirements for replacing a “thing” is the Completed New Testament.
8. First book was about 45 AD with Matthew. Last book was about 100 with Revelation. **Completed.**