#### "What is the Supernatural?"

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1 Corinthians 12:1 "Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant."

The word spiritual in Greek *=pneumatikos* means:

- Things pertaining to the Spirit.
- Supernatural The Miraculous
- Movement of wind

In 1 Corinthians 12:10 Paul declares, "...to another divers kinds of tongues..." Weymouth translation states: "...to another a varieties of gift of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues." Basically, there four major varieties or kinds of tongues in the New Testament:

- Tongues for personal edification personal heavenly prayer language
- Tongues for interpretation an utterance or message in tongues
- Tongues for intercession groaning and standing in the gap
- Tongues as a sign to unbelievers for the gospel's good news

### BENEFITS OF PRAYING IN TONGUES

*"But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word." "We shall be persevering to the prayer and the service of the saying."* Acts 6:4 (NTGI).

## 1. TONGUES IS THE ENTRANCE INTO THE SUPERNATURAL.

*"For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God.... <u>howbeit in</u> <i>the spirit he speaketh mysteries."* 1 Corinthians 14:2. (Emphasis added.)

- When you pray in tongues, it automatically puts you in the Spirit.
- In other words, when you start praying in tongues you are entering God's *miracle zone!*

## \* TONGUES IS THE PRAYER IN THE NEW TESTAMENT. \*

Activate it by praying in tongues. Pray as long as you want, until you feel a release of peace through the Holy Spirit. Listen to the Lord.

## 2. PRAYING IN TONGUES IS A DIRECT LINE TO GOD.

1 Corinthians 14:2 says, "For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God.... howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries."

• Tongues is your hotline to God.

Through tongues, you and I can have direct access to God. The Word says, "*no one understandeth him*" 1 Corinthians 14:2.

• This means Satan does not understand when you pray in the Spirit.

"I'm grateful to God for the gift of praying in tongues that he gives us for praising him, which leads to <u>wonderful intimacies</u> we enjoy with him. I enter into this as much or more than any of you." 1 Corinthians 14:18 (MSG) (Emphasis added).

\*TONGUES IS THE BELIEVER'S DIRECT ACCESS TO THE THRONE ROOM.\*

Activate it by praying in tongues. Pray as long as you want, till you feel a release of peace thru the Holy Spirit. Listen to the Lord.

# 3. PRAYING IN TONGUES IS SPEAKING DIVINE MYSTERIES-DIVINE CODED SECRETS.

Praying in tongues is speaking divine mysteries-divine coded secrets. 1 Corinthians 14:2 says, "For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God.... howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries."

- Hidden thing
- Divine secrets
- Coded Language
- Secret will or plan
- Secret counsels that govern God in His dealing with the righteous, hidden from the ungodly and wicked men but plain to the godly
- Knowledge withheld from ungodly, but truth revealed to the righteous
- Visions, images, mysteries and forms. Greek word *mustes*, initiated from *mueo*, means to initiate into the mysteries
- *"For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God. Indeed, no one understands him; he utters mysteries with his spirit."* (NIV).
- "Yet in the Spirit he is speaking truths." (Weymouth NT).
- *"Because in the Holy Spirit he utters secret truths and hidden things not obvious to the understanding."* (AMP).

### \*TONGUES IS DRAWING SECRETS TO LIFE'S COMPLICATED ISSUES.\* Activate

### 4. PRAYING IN TONGUES IS PROPHESYING YOUR GOD-ORDAINED FUTURE.

1 Corinthians 14:2 says, "For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God.... howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries."

Praying in tongues is prophesying and praying God's plans for your life. Remember the word *musterion* from point 3? It is defined as:

- Secret counsels that govern God in His dealing with the righteous, hidden from the ungodly and wicked men but plain to the godly. It brings hidden secret-truths.
- Knowledge withheld from ungodly, but truth revealed to the righteous

• Secret will and plan

Solomon in his wisdom declared, *"wisdom is profitable to direct"* Ecclesiastes. 10:10.

\*TONGUES IS ENTRANCE INTO THE REALM OF THE SPIRIT\* \*THE MIRACULOUS ZONE – STEP BY STEP.\*