

--The Word Of God/Not Tongues Reveals The Secrets Of The _____ – Why Use Tongues?

²⁵ the secrets of his heart are disclosed,

--The Word Of God/Not Tongues Moves Him To _____ – Why Use Tongues?

and so, falling on his face,

--The Word Of God Will _____ Him/Not Tongues – Why Use Tongues?

he will worship God

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and declare that God is really among you.

--The Goal Of Using The Spiritual Gift Is _____ Of Believers In The Church

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The Place, Point And Practice Of Speaking In Tongues - Part 3

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1 Corinthians 14:20-26 ²⁰ Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

²¹ In the Law it is written, "By people of strange tongues and by the lips of foreigners will I speak to this people, and even then they will not listen to me, says the Lord." ²² Thus tongues are a sign not for believers but for unbelievers, while prophecy is a sign not for unbelievers but for believers. ²³ If, therefore, the whole church comes together and all speak in tongues, and outsiders or unbelievers enter, will they not say that you are out of your minds? ²⁴ But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or outsider enters, he is convicted by all, he is called to account by all, ²⁵ the secrets of his heart are disclosed, and so, falling on his face, he will worship God and declare that God is really among you. ²⁶ What then, brothers? When you come together, each one has a hymn, a lesson, a revelation, a tongue, or an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up.

- 1) Its Place - Inferior To Prophecy (1-19)**
- 2) Its Point - A Sign To Unbelievers (20-25)**
- 3) Its Practice-Systematic, Limited, And Orderly(26-40)**

--Christ Be _____ In Your Thinking

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--Novice In Evil

--Expert In Truth Of God's Word

1 Corinthians 13:11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways.

--Tongues Have Been A _____ Of God's Judgment

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Isaiah 28:11-12 ¹¹ For by people of strange lips and with a foreign tongue the LORD will speak to this people, ¹² to whom he has said, "This is rest; give rest to the weary; and this is repose"; yet they would not hear.

The MacArthur Study Bible

Paul explains that centuries earlier the Lord had predicted that one day He would use men of other tongues, that is, foreigners speaking unknown languages, as a sign to unbelieving Israel, who "WILL NOT LISTEN TO ME." These "**STRANGE TONGUES**" are what they knew as the gift of languages, given solely as a sign to unbelieving Israel. **That sign was 3-fold: Cursing, Blessing, and Authority.**

To emphasize the Cursing, Paul quoted **Isaiah's** words of warning to Judah of the judgment from Assyria (see Isa 28:11 [note], 12 [note]).

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The leaders thought his words were too simple and rejected him. The time would come, the prophet said, when they would hear Assyrian, a language they could not understand, indicating judgment.

Jeremiah spoke similarly of the Babylonians who were also to come and destroy Judah (cf. Jer 5:15).

Jeremiah 5:15 Behold, I am bringing against you a nation from afar, O house of Israel, declares the LORD. It is an enduring nation; it is an ancient nation, a nation whose language you do not know, nor can you understand what they say.

When the apostles spoke at Pentecost in all those **foreign languages** (Ac 2:3-12), the **Jews should have known** that

the judgment prophesied and historically fulfilled **first by the Assyrians** and then by the **Babylonian captivity** was about to fall on them again for **their rejection of Christ**, including the **destruction of Jerusalem (A.D. 70) as it had happened in 586 B.C. under Babylonian power.**

--Tongues Are For _____ Not Believers

²² Thus tongues are a sign not for believers but for unbelievers,

--Prophecy Is A Sign Not For _____ But For Believers

while prophecy is a sign not for unbelievers but for believers.

--Unbelievers Who See The Church Together And Everyone Is Speaking In Tongues They Will Conclude That You All Are _____.

²³ If, therefore, the whole church comes together and all speak in tongues, and **outsiders or unbelievers** enter, will they not say that you are out of your **minds**?

The Greek word means to be in an uncontrolled frenzy. When the real gift was used in Acts 2, there was no madness, and everyone understood in his own language (v. 11). In Corinth, there was charismatic chaos.

--Unbelievers Being Draw By God And Hear God's Word Are _____ – Why Use Tongues?

²⁴ But if all prophecy, and an unbeliever or outsider enters, he is convicted by all,

--The Unbeliever Is Held _____ By God's Word Not Tongues – Why Use Tongues?

he is called to account by all,