



# **EMPOWERED: LIVE THE GIFTS**

**Week 8 - The Spirit Who Speaks: Tongues**

**What are some personal experiences you have had where others have spoken in tongues, or where you felt the Spirit interceding on your behalf? What stood out to you about how the Spirit is working in those moments? What feelings come to mind?**

**What are some misconceptions you have encountered about the gift of tongues from different faith traditions?**

**Read 1 Corinthians 14:1-25. Are there any words, phrases or thoughts that stand out? What comparison does Paul make between the gift of tongues and the gift of prophecy?**

How does Paul describe the understanding needed for the use of spiritual gifts, particularly tongues, within the church?

What advice does Paul give to those who speak in tongues regarding interpretation?

Read [Romans 8:26-27](#). In moments when you feel 'stuck' in prayer, how can the concept of praying in the Spirit help you? How can understanding the gift of tongues increase your personal connection with the Holy Spirit?

How can we come together as a community to create an environment that is open to experiencing spiritual gifts like tongues? What practical steps can we take to foster a culture of acceptance and understanding regarding spiritual gifts within our church community? Take time to discuss what it might happen if someone in your group spoke in tongues.

Take time to pray for one another.