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# **Leadership Gifts / Ephesians 4:7-16**



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# Christ gives gifts to the church.

(Ephesians 4:7-10)



# Psalm 68:18a

When you ascended on high,  
you took many captives;  
you received gifts from people, (NIV®)

**Christ gives the gift of  
leadership to his church.**

(Ephesians 4:11)



# Biblical Leadership

- apostles

“God uses [apostles] in a variety of ministries. They are the kind who tend to make things happen. Oftentimes they are good at making something out of nothing, ministry-wise, successfully starting new works from scratch. Generally there is a history of evangelistic and discipleship fruitfulness.”

*(A Vision of the Possible: Pioneer Church Planting in Teams by Daniel Sinclair, page 6)*

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- Prophets

# 1 Corinthians 14:3

But the one who prophesies speaks to people for their strengthening, encouraging and comfort. (NIV®)

# 1 Thessalonians 5:20-22

Do not treat prophecies with contempt but test them all; hold on to what is good, reject every kind of evil. (NIV®)

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# 1 Peter 5:1-2a

To the elders among you, I appeal as a fellow elder and a witness of Christ's sufferings who also will share in the glory to be revealed: 2 Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing... (NIV®)

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(Ephesians 4:12-16)



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# 2 Timothy 4:3

For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. (NIV®)

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