

Key Scripture:

2 Corinthians 3:17 NLT

For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

Speaking in other languages

Acts 2:4 NLT

And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began *speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.*

Common Questions about tongues...

✓ What are tongues? The restoration of communication with God.

Acts 2:33 NLT

Now He is exalted to the place of highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand. And the Father, as He had promised, gave Him the Holy Spirit to pour out upon us, just as you **see and hear today**.

✓ Is it necessary to speak in tongues to be saved?

Acts 9:17-18 NLT

17 So Ananias went and found Saul. He laid his hands on him and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus," who appeared to you on the road, has sent me so that you might regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." 18 Instantly something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he got up and was baptized.

✓ Are tongues just for the time of the disciples?

1 Corinthians 13:8-10; 12 NKJV

8 Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are *tongues, they will cease*; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. 9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part. 10 But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.

12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face.

Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

Why should we desire to speak in tongues?

Proclaims Kingdom identity. languages about the wonderful things God has done!" (Acts 2:11)

Provides a direct hotline to the King. (1 Corinthians 14:2)

Promotes <u>unity</u>. "<u>people are united, and they all speak the same language</u>. (Gen 11:6)

Physical evidence of Kingdom <u>citizenship</u>. <u>see and hear</u> (Acts 2:33; 8:17-19; 10:44-36)

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Different Kinds of Languages

1. <mark>Sign</mark> Language.

Mark 16:17 NKJV

And these signs will follow those who believe:

In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues;

1 Corinthians 14:22 NLT

So you see that *speaking in tongues is a sign*, not for believers, but for unbelievers.

2. **Heavenly** Language.

1 Corinthians 12:28-30 NIV

28 And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and *those speaking in different kinds of tongues*.

29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles?

30 Do all have gifts of healing? **Do all speak in tongues?** Do all interpret?

3. <u>Prayer</u> Language.

✓ <u>Personal</u> Prayer:

1 Corinthians 14:2 NIV

For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God.

1 Corinthians 14:14-15 NLT

14 For if *I pray in tongues, my spirit is praying*, but I don't understand what I am saying.

15 Well then, what shall I do? I will pray in the spirit, and I will also pray in words I understand. I will sing in the spirit, and I will also sing in words I understand.

✓ <u>Intercessory</u>	Prayer
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Romans 8:26-27 NKJV

26 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. 27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

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Acts 2:11 NLT

we all hear <u>these people speaking in our own languages</u> <u>about the wonderful things God has done!</u>"

Genesis 11:6 NLT

"Look!" He said. "The *people are united, and they all speak the same language*.

After this, *nothing they set out to do will be impossible for them*!

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