

Called to be
Saints

STUDIES IN FIRST CORINTHIANS

Speaking of Tongues

1 Corinthians 14:13-25

- 1. Spiritual gifts, rightly used, edify others.**
 - A. Prophecy speaks to men; tongues speak to God.**
 - B. Prophecy edifies the church; tongues edify only the speaker.**
- 2. In order for the spoken word to edify, it must be understood.**

Edification

Understanding

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Isaiah 28:11-12

**“For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.
12 To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing:
yet they would not hear.”**

Matthew 12:38

“Then certain of the scribes and of the Pharisees answered, saying, Master, we would see a sign from thee.”

1 Corinthians 1:22

**“For the Jews require a sign, and the
Greeks seek after wisdom.”**

- A. Known (Gentile) languages**
- B. Jews present**
- C. Tongues expressing praise to God**
- D. The Gospel was preached, but in the common tongue such that all understood and some believed.**

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