**The Priority of the
Love Oriented Life**
I Corinthians 13:8-13

Where there are prophesies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away . . . when perfection comes, the imperfect disappears. - v8 & 10

**I. Traditional Christian Understanding**

A. Supernatural spiritual gifts passed A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 1. How were they originally received? - Acts 1:5 & 8; 2:1-18; 10:1-11:18

 2. Passed on by the L\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on of hands - Acts 8:14-17.

 3. When the apostles died, the spiritual gifts C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

B. So - what does "perfection" in v10 mean?

Why do we think that?

**II. The Generally Accepted
Pentecostal Understanding**

A. Supernatural spiritual gifts exist T\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 1. Why do they say this?

 2. How might you respond to that?

B. So - what does "perfection" in v10 mean?

 1. Explanation of v11.

 2. Explanation of v12.

**III. My Personal Understanding**

A. Supernatural spiritual gifts should lead to spiritual M\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

B. The role of spiritual gifts in spiritual development:

 1. Maybe to be used to jump S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your spiritual life.

 2. What should happen to them after that?

C. The role of spiritual gifts in witnessing:

 1. They might demonstrate the reality of G\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 2. What is more successful than the demonstration of spiritual gifts?

D. The example of a more successful witness.

E. Why does this explanation make more sense?
 - I Corinthians 12 & 14

F. So - what does "perfection" in v10 mean?

 1. What does v11 not say?

 2. How does physical growth illustrate this?

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