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God is NOT Done
[1 Corinthians 1:3-9](#)

⁶ just as the testimony of^{fb1} Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸ He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the partnership of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

In today's scripture, Paul is writing to the Corinthian church. It is a reminder of the many spiritual gifts that God has graciously given to us. Paul praises the people of the Corinthian Church for the ways he is grateful to see them using their spiritual gifts. He explores the correct understandings of knowledge and speech.

If he was writing today, what spiritual gifts would he be grateful to see among us?

What gifts would he want us to use more often?

Dear West Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church,

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I am so thankful to see that you are collectively caring for those in need. You are a testimony about Christ to the world. You are using your spiritual gifts to proclaim peace and bring good news to future disciples. God is faithful. Continue your work for the kingdom.

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all,
Paul*

During this season of Advent, we are looking back at the first Christmas, currently to Christ's presence in our lives, and forward to the second coming of Christ.

We rejoice knowing that God is not done! We can go a new direction with God in our lives.

We will continually improve our spiritual maturity by loving like Jesus. We strive to live out Wesley's rules, "Do no harm. Do good. Stay in love with God." God is not done; get prepared!

Prayer: *Heavenly Father, we are grateful for the birth of your Son, our Savior. We are blessed to use our spiritual gifts. Help us not grow weary and use them for peace and bringing good news about your kingdom. In your Son's precious name, we pray, Amen.*

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