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- Second/additional work of the Holy Spirit speaking in tongues is evidence of the Holy Spirit
- Requirement to be saved adding to the Scriptures

Charismatic

- Miraculous gifts are valid and available today
- Proof that one has experienced the "fullness" of the Holy Spirit

Limited Charismatic

- God distributes these gifts within the "universal church"; different gifts appear in different local churches

Non-Charismatic

- All the miraculous gifts are not valid today. given to the early church to establish or validate the authority of those who had the gift. phased out end of the first century completion of the Canon Holy Bible; does not deny that God can heal denies that man to do the miraculous

Anti-Charismatic

- Similar to the non-charismatic
- Strong disagreement personally attack other believers equally sinful to doctrinal error

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- Requires continual perseverance; contingent upon the recipient meeting conditions

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