

Thomistic Account of Virtues, Vices, Passions, Gifts of the Holy Spirit

- *Theological Virtues: Faith, Hope, Charity*
- Cardinal Virtues: Justice, Temperance, Courage, Prudence (also called Practical Wisdom)
- Intellectual Virtues: Wisdom, Understanding, Science, Art, Prudence
- *Supernatural (infused) Virtues: Faith, Hope, Charity, Justice, Temperance, Courage, Prudence*
- Natural Virtues (acquired by achieving a disposition to act that is “second nature”)
- **Gifts: Understanding, Knowledge, Wisdom, Counsel, Fortitude, Piety, Fear of the Lord**

Cognitive faculties:

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| – speculative intellect: | <i>Faith</i> |
| deeper insight into divine truths | <u>Wisdom, Understanding, Science</u> |
| proper judgment concerning truths of faith | Understanding |
| judgment according to divine norms | Knowledge |
| – practical intellect: | Wisdom |
| decisions regarding human actions | <u>Prudence, Art</u> |
| Appetitive powers: | Counsel |
| – rational appetite (the will): | <i>Hope and Charity</i> |
| in relation to others | <u>Justice</u> |
| – sensitive appetites (the passions): | Piety |
| proper use of the irascible passions | <u>Courage and Temperance</u> |
| proper use of the pleasure passions | Fortitude |
| | Fear of the Lord |

Passions (sensitive appetite)

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| | <u>Concupiscible Appetites</u> | | |
| | Good | | Evil |
| <i>Love</i> | as such | | as such <i>Hate</i> |
| <i>Desire</i> | not yet possessed | | unrealized <i>Aversion</i> |
| <i>Joy</i> | obtained | | realized <i>Sadness</i> |
| | <u>Irascible Appetites</u> | | |
| | Some difficult evil that is imagined as: | | |
| <i>Fear</i> | unconquerable | conquerable | <i>Boldness</i> |
| | Some difficult good that is imagined as: | | |
| <i>Despair</i> | unobtainable | obtainable | <i>Hope</i> |
| <i>Anger</i> | Evil already present | | |

Faith. Related vices: infidelity, heresy, apostasy, blasphemy

Hope. Related vices: despair, presumption

Charity. Related vices: hatred, acedia, jealousy, discord, contention, schism, scandal

Prudence. Allied virtues: memory, intelligence, docility. Vices: imprudence, negligence

Courage. Related vices: by excess: presumption, ambition, vainglory, by defect: pusillanimity

Justice. Allied virtues: religion, obedience, gratitude, truthfulness, friendship, liberality, mercy...

Related vices: avarice, prodigality, flattery, mendacity, irreligion, contempt,...

Temperance: Allied virtues: honesty, abstinence, sobriety, chastity, luxuriousness, continence....

Related vices: incontinence, frigidity/indifference, sensuality, lust...