

EPHESIANS

SEALED WITH THE SPIRIT
1:13-14

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¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, **were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit**, ¹⁴ **who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it**, to the praise of his glory.

Sealed & Secure

"to seal" is used to indicate:

- Security and permanency
- Authentication
- Approval
- Ownership
- Guarantee of eternal security

The "sealing" of believers by the gift of the Holy Spirit, upon
believing

Absolutely Secure!

John 10

²⁷ My sheep hear **my** voice. **I** know them, and they follow **me**.

²⁸ **I** give them eternal life, and they will never perish. **No one will snatch them out of my hand.**

²⁹ My **Father**, who has given them to **me**, is greater than all. **No one can snatch them out of my Father's hand.**

³⁰ **I** and the **Father** are one.”

Promised Holy Spirit - Personal

- The third person of the triune God, coequal, coeternal with the Father and the Son
- John 14:16-17 ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— ¹⁷ the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.”

Guarantee

"The *arrabon* [pledge, deposit, earnest, guarantee, down payment] was a regular feature of the Greek business world. The *arrabon* was a part of the purchase price of anything **paid in advance as a guarantee that the rest of the price should in due time be paid.**"

2 Cor 1:21-22 ²¹ And **it is God** who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, ²² and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a ***guarantee***.

2 Cor 5:5 ⁵ He who has prepared us for this very thing is **God**, who has given us the Spirit as a ***guarantee***.

Of Our Inheritance

Psalm 37:18

Colossians 1:12

Colossians 3:24

Hebrews 9:15

1 Peter 1:4

John 3:36

John 5:24

John 6:40

Titus 3:5-7

1 John 5:13

Psalm 16:5-6

Review / Summary

- 4-Election. *“he chose us in him before the foundation of the world”*
- 5,11-Predestination. *“he predestined us for adoption to himself”*
- 5-Adoption. *“for adoption to himself as sons”*
- 6,7-Grace. *“according to the riches of his grace”*
- 7,14-Redemption. *“In him we have redemption”*
- 7-Forgiveness. *“the forgiveness of our trespasses”*
- 9,10-Revelation. *“making known to us the mystery of his will”*
- 10-Union w. Christ. *“to unite all things in him”*
- 13-Gospel. *“the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation”*
- 13,14-Ministry of the Spirit. *“sealed with the promised Holy Spirit”*

OUR RESPONSE

DISCUSSION