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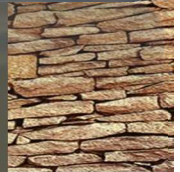
“Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest [down payment] of the Spirit in our hearts.”



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**Topic >> Sealed with the “Holy Spirit” for eternity the moment we believe**

**Ephesians 1:13 KJV** “In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,”

**Ephesians 4:30 KJV** “And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.”

**Galatians 5:18 KJV** “But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.”

**Romans 4:5 KJV** “But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness.”

**Romans 5:1 KJV** “Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

**Romans 5:19 KJV** “For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.”

## The Ministry of the Holy Spirit in the Age of Grace

1)The indwelling of the Holy Spirit is a gift from God for every believer who trusts in Jesus Christ. **Romans 8:9:b KJV** “Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.” This undoubtedly, teaches us that the Holy Spirit indwells every believer the moment they believe. It also teaches us that anyone who does not have the Holy Spirit is not saved.

2)The baptizing with the Holy Spirit is something that is seriously misunderstood by the church today. The baptism with the Holy Spirit is when the believer is placed into the Body of Christ. This is a one time event that takes place the moment a person believes and trusts in Christ. **1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 12:13 KJV** “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.” - Water baptism on the other hand was part of Israel's law program that had to do with the symbolic water washing required before becoming a Priest.

3)Considerable confusion also surrounds the doctrine of the filling of the Holy Spirit. A typical (and wrong) understanding is that we can have less or more of the Holy Spirit in us. Almost like having more or less in a glass of water.

**Ephesians 5:18 KJV** “And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;” The wording here does not mean that believers can get more of the Spirit, but rather it is a command to let the Spirit of God have more control in your life. It amounts to letting the Holy Spirit who indwells us to control us. Unlike the one time baptism of the Holy Spirit this is a repeated action in the life of a believer as you obey and yield to the Holy Spirit in your daily life. This is why the Apostle Paul wrote in (Gal 5:16) “This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.”

**The moment we believe and trust in Christ we are sealed with (not by but with) the Holy Spirit and baptized into the body of Christ.**

)-The filling of the Holy Spirit is the continual yielding of ourselves to Christ and is part of the progressive sanctification of a believer. \*Recognizing these important distinctions should assist us as we seek to become more Christ-like in our walk with Christ.

**Fruit Of The Spirit**

- Love
- Joy
- Peace
- Patience
- Kindness
- Goodness
- Faithfulness
- Gentleness
- Self-Control

Galatians 5:22-23

The moment we trust & believe we are **“SEALED”**

