## **SERMON NOTES**

Date: February 2, 2020Series: God's RichesTitle: Sealed in Christ

**Text:** Ephesians 1:13-14

Big Idea: In Christ God sealed every believe with the Holy Spirit who is the guarantee of our spiritual

inheritance.

## **APPLICATION GUIDE**

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What does it mean that a believer is sealed with the promised Holy Spirit?

How is the Spirit a guarantee or down-payment on a believer's future spiritual inheritance (Acts 15:6-9; 19:1-7)?

## **APPLY THE TRUTH**

How does knowing that you have been sealed with the Holy Spirit provide hope and encouragement in your daily walk with Christ?

How can you continue to believe in Christ on a daily and even moment by moment basis as evidence that you have been sealed?

If the Holy Spirit is the down-payment toward your spiritual inheritance in Christ, how can you live according to the Spirit (Ephesians 5:18-21; Romans 8:5)?

What area in your life do you struggle to yield to the controlling influence of the Holy Spirit? What would it look like for you to do this more effectively? Be specific.

Think of both a *blessing* and a *difficulty* in your life right now. Knowing that you have been sealed with the Spirit, how can you respond God-glorifying way?

## **COMMIT THIS WEEK**

Look up the lyrics to the hymn "Blessed Assurance" and use them in your private devotion and worship of the Lord. Are there other songs you can think of that reinforce a believer's assurance of salvation?