

The Holy Spirit Seals

"In Him you also who have heard the Word of Truth, the glad tidings (Gospel) of your salvation, and have believed in and adhered to and relied on Him, were stamped with the seal of the long-promised Holy Spirit."

Ephesians 1:13 AMPC

When we accept Jesus as Lord we receive the stamp/seal of the Holy Spirit.

"...The moment you believed, God thoroughly examined and inspected you to make sure that you were fully intact and complete. Because He found nothing in you broken, defective, or faulty, God put His seal upon you — the ultimate proof that He found you to be impeccable. That seal meant you were approved, endorsed, recognized, affirmed, sanctified, and notarized by the Spirit of God. It was His guarantee that you are going to make it to your final destination."

Ephesians 1:13 RIV

"This should tell you how intensely God longs for your arrival in Heaven! He Himself has inspected you, sealed you, and guaranteed you. Now He watches over you to see that you make it all the way into His Presence, where He eagerly anticipates that day when He will see you face to face." Rick Renner

Andrew Wommack Study Guide "Sealed" on Ephesians 1:13

- A. All the righteousness, holiness, and goodness your born-again spirit was recreated with was immediately sealed tight with the Holy Spirit.
- B. When you were born again, your spirit was immediately encased—vacuum packed—by the Holy Spirit for the purpose of preservation.
- C. When you fail in any area of your life after being saved, the rottenness, uncleanness, and defilement that comes to your body and soul doesn't penetrate your spirit.
- D. This Holy Spirit seal keeps the good in and the bad out.

"He knows we are his since he has also stamped his seal of love over our hearts and has given us the Holy Spirit like an engagement ring is given to a bride—a down payment of the blessings to come!"

2 Corinthians 1:22 TPT

The seal isn't just a stamp—it's a Person living in you.

The Spirit teaches, guides, comforts, convicts, and empowers you to live for Christ.

Being sealed means the Holy Spirit isn't just visiting—you are His permanent dwelling place.

"[He has also appropriated and acknowledged us as His by] putting His seal upon us and giving us His [Holy] Spirit in our hearts as the security deposit and guarantee [of the fulfillment of His promise]."

2 Corinthians 1:22 AMPC

The Spirit Within

"But whoever takes a drink of the water that I will give him shall never, no never, be thirsty any more. But the water that I will give him shall become a spring of water welling up (flowing, bubbling) [continually] within him unto (into, for) eternal life."

John 4:14 AMPC

"Well" → a contained, continual source for personal refreshing and life.
It satisfies you.

This corresponds to the **Spirit within**, received at salvation.

"And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengthener, and Standby), that He may remain with you forever—"

John 14:16 AMPC

"The Spirit of Truth, Whom the world cannot receive (welcome, take to its heart), because it does not see Him or know and recognize Him. But you know and recognize Him, for He lives with you [constantly] and will be in you."

John 14:17 AMPC

The Spirit Upon

"He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water."

John 7:38 NKJV

"But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified."

John 7:39 NKJV

"Rivers" → abundant, overflowing, outward movement.
It refreshes *others*.

This corresponds to the **Spirit upon**, received for ministry, power, and witness (Acts 1:8).

"Therefore those who were scattered went everywhere preaching the word. Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed. And there was great joy in that city."

Acts 8:4–8 NKJV

"But there was a certain man called Simon, who previously practiced sorcery in the city and astonished the people of Samaria, claiming that he was someone great, to whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, 'This man is the great power of God.' And they heeded him because he had astonished them with his sorceries for a long time. But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized. Then Simon himself also believed; and when he was baptized he continued with Philip, and was amazed, seeing the miracles and signs which were done."

Acts 8:9–13 NKJV

These individuals received Jesus into their hearts through the ministry of Philip. It says they believed and were baptized. Thus, they had been sealed with the Holy Spirit!

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned."

Mark 16:16 NKJV

"Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. You can be sealed with the Spirit without having the Spirit upon. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. And when Simon saw that through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money, saying, 'Give me this power also, that anyone on whom I lay hands may receive the Holy Spirit.' But Peter said to him, 'Your money perish with you, because you thought that the gift of God could be purchased with money! You have neither part nor portion in this matter, for your heart is not right in the sight of God. Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray God if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you. For I see that you are poisoned by bitterness and bound by iniquity.' Then Simon answered and said, 'Pray to the Lord for me, that none of the things which you have spoken may come upon me.' So when they had

testified and preached the word of the Lord, they returned to Jerusalem, preaching the gospel in many villages of the Samaritans."

Acts 8:14–25 NKJV

Sealed with the Spirit first... The Spirit upon second...

"So Jesus said to them again, 'Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.'"

John 20:21

"And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.'"

John 20:22

It marked the moment they were "born again" — the inward work of the Holy Spirit (the Spirit within).

This was the disciples' salvation experience, now that redemption was completed through the cross and resurrection.

Notice: even though they received the Spirit here, Jesus later told them in **Acts 1:4–5, 8** to wait in Jerusalem for the **baptism of the Holy Spirit**, which would come with power.

"And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me;"

Acts 1:4 NKJV

"for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

Acts 1:5 NKJV

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Acts 1:8 NKJV