



September 27, 2015  
Celebration | 8:45 am  
Elevation | 10:45 am  
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## Sealed by the Holy Spirit Ephesians 1:13-14

### Feel secure in the sealing of the Holy Spirit.

*"In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation - having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise" Ephesians 1:13*

- **When are you sealed?**  
2 Corinthians 1:21-22 *"Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and anointed us is God, who also sealed us and gave us the Spirit in our hearts as a pledge."*
- **What does it mean to be sealed?**  
Hebrews 6:13-18  
1 Peter 1:3-5  
Romans 8:9z  
1 Corinthians 6:19
- **The seal of God's Spirit in the believer signifies four primary things:**  
Security -  
Authenticity -  
Ownership -  
Authority -
- **Better Together: the future kingdom is a perfect picture of community and unity together in Christ - both with God and each other perfectly.**

### Feel passionate because of the pledge of the Holy Spirit.

*"Who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory." Ephesians 1:14*

- **Pledge of our inheritance - the Holy Spirit is given as a pledge; almost like a down payment, but more like an engagement ring signifying that as Christ's bride the church will never be neglected or forsaken.**  
2 Corinthians 5:1-5
- **Passion to serve together through our uniquely different spiritual gifts.**
- **Passion to worship the glory of God as our response.**

### Discussion:

Is there a specific cause or area which God has given you a unique passion for? Is there a way you are currently serving in your area of spiritual gifts? If not, is there a way you would like to get involved?

## LifeGroup Discussion:

1. Have you ever received a gift you thought was too precious to open and then never enjoyed it? Do you feel like you have a gift that God has given but you never opened it?
2. Do you feel secure in your relationship with God? Why or why not?
3. Do you feel passionate about your relationship with God? Why or why not?
4. Read Ephesians 1:13-14 again. Why do you think this passage is in the Bible? Why do you think we need to hear these verses? How have they encouraged you?

## Next Steps:

1. **Go to the Reach Fair in the Lobby today** and find ways that you can serve God passionately while using your spiritual gifts. Learn more at [calvarylife.org/reach](http://calvarylife.org/reach)
2. **Attend the next Discover Your Purpose Class** and find out more about how God has shaped you uniquely to serve Him in specific ways. Join us January 27, 2016 from 7:00-8:30 pm in the Lobby. [calvarylife.org/discover](http://calvarylife.org/discover)
3. **Spend time in prayer yielding yourself to the power of the Holy Spirit to work in your life.** Submit, yield and surrender your will to the will of God. Do this during the week or visit one of the Prayer Points at the end of today's service to have someone pray with you.