

Sealed by the Holy Spirit

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I want to help you be intentional and speak God's Word over your lives. We can humble ourselves to God's Word and proclaim that what He says about us is true, His Word we proclaim is the same Word that made the universe, nothing is greater than the power of our God, and everything is subject to His power when it comes out of my mouth in faith by the grace of God.

Romans 3:4 - let God be true, but every man a liar;

Psalms 65:11 – You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance.

Psalms 107:2 - Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy;

Faith Confessions - By faith and in submission to our God, we declare:

- You crown my year with a bountiful harvest and even the hard pathways, overflow with your abundance!
- A spirit of fear cannot reside in our lives, our church, our families or our community.
- God has not given us a spirit of fear, but a Spirit of love, power and a sound mind.
- We will see others through the lens of God's love, for human anger does not achieve God's righteous purpose. Rage and anger will not dominate our lives.
- We are free from the dominion, power and authority of the kingdom of darkness and its power is broken over our lives, our church and our families.
- Our children will not be dominated by a spirit of fear, but will live in freedom and the truth of God's Word.
- A Spirit of Faith resides over us, our families and our community.

The person and work of the Holy Spirit does two things for you:

1. He seals you.
2. He guarantees you.

A seal – is a signet, stamp, imprint or private mark that guarantees authenticity of origin and ownership.

A guarantee - is formal or legally binding pledge, to perform and underwrite another person's obligation.

Jesus is our seal, our signet, for God to dwell in us. When we give our lives to Jesus, our old nature and sin life died, we became a new creation with no sin in our past. We become righteous in the sight of God because of Jesus. God is now our Heavenly Father.

Walking with God isn't about what we have to do, or stop doing. God doesn't just find you in your trouble. It's about the why, the love God is towards us.

1 John 4:4 - the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.

Hebrews 13:5 - For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."

Who does the Holy Spirit seal and what does he guarantee?

Ephesians 1:13-14 - In Him, Jesus you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, the Holy Spirit is God's guarantee that He will give us the inheritance He promised or guaranteed and that he has purchased us to be His own people. This signet of the Holy Spirit from God is the first installment on what's coming, a reminder that we'll get everything God has guaranteed & planned for us, a praising and glorious life.

- You are eternally sealed by the Holy Spirit.
- He is the guarantor that when you receive Christ and leave this life, you go to be with the Father.
- God's mark upon you ensures that you belong to Him.

John 10:28-30 – I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one."

- Truth is not a what, it's a who.
- Jesus is the truth, the person of God, and He is in us. (John 14:6)

John 8:32 - And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

Galatians 2:20 – I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I that live, but Christ that lives in me; and the life which I now live in my body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

- The reason people struggle with yielding to God is they don't trust His love.
- The Lordship of Jesus is the Lordship of love.
- The Holy Spirit wouldn't lead you anywhere that love wouldn't lead you.

Colossians 3:1-4 – Since, then, you have been raised from the dead with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds and hearts on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ – in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

- Without Christ we are dead.
- Your life is raised and hidden with Christ in God.
- Then we are sealed with the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit in you guarantees to: lead you; guide you; comfort you; counsel you; help you; advocate for you; strengthen you; speak to you; show you things to come; teach you who you are in Christ.

In the life to come His seal guarantees your eternal salvation and frees you from the fear of death.

Hebrews 2:14-15 - Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death. Only in this way could he set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.