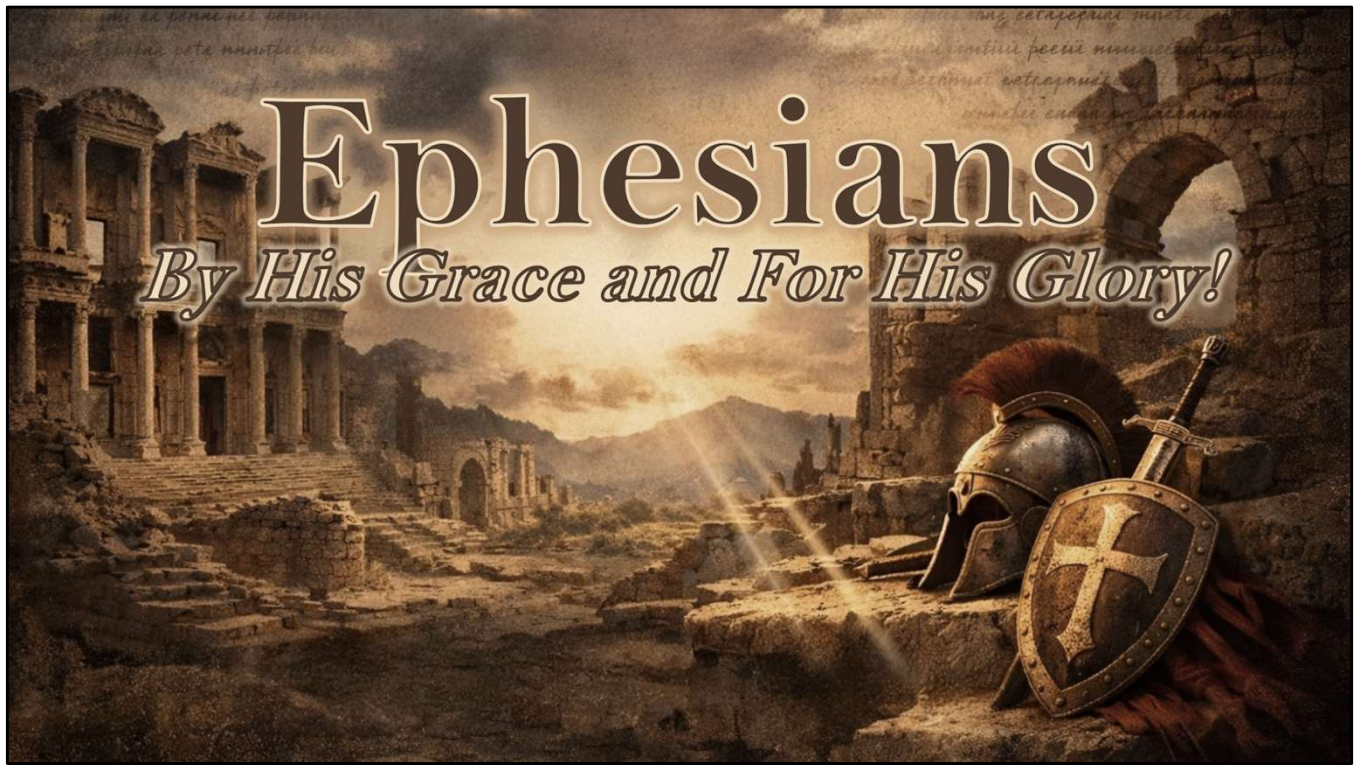






Sealed and Spirit Filled
Ephesians 1:13-14



Isa 29:11-13, 15-16 And the vision of all this has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed. When men give it to one who can read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed." 12 And when they give the book to one who cannot read, saying, "Read this," he says, "I cannot read." 13 And the Lord said: "Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men, ... 15 Ah, you who hide deep from the LORD your counsel, whose deeds are in the dark, and who say, "Who sees us? Who knows us?" 16 You turn things upside down! Shall the potter be regarded as the clay, that the thing made should say of its maker, "He did not make me"; or the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"?

A **signet** is a small seal or stamp used officially to authenticate documents or mark property in place of a handwritten signature, most commonly set into a finger ring

He sealed the Deal!

- Ephesians 1:13 – In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit
 - heard the word of truth (Colossians 1:4-5, Romans 10:14-17)
 - gospel of your salvation (Romans 1:16)
 - believed in him (John 3:16)
 - sealed with the promised Holy Spirit (Ephesians 1:13, 4:30)

Hearing/Believing/Accepting the WORD (Logos) of Truth Aletheia
Gospel of your Salvation – Good News, Saved from sin to God!
Believed in Him – Sola Fide, Solus Christus! Its personal!
Sealed with the promised Holy Spirit

sealed the Deal - the historical practice of pressing a signet ring or stamp into hot wax on a document to make a legal agreement official and binding (google)

[Rom 10:14-17 ESV] – 14 How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? 15 And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" 16 But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" 17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

Col 1:4-6, 23 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, 5 because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this **you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, 6 which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing**—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it **and understood the grace of God in truth**, ... 23 if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

[1Th 2:13 ESV] – 13 And we also thank God constantly for this, that when **you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as the word of men but as what it really is, the word of God, which is at work in you believers.**

[2Ti 2:15 ESV] – 15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, **rightly handling the word of truth.**

[Jas 1:18 ESV] – 18 Of his own will **he brought us forth by the word of truth**, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

[Rom 1:16 ESV] – 16 For I am not ashamed of **the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes**, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

[Heb 2:3 ESV] – 3 how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard,

[Deu 29:4 ESV] – 4 But to this day the LORD has not given you a heart to understand or eyes to see or ears to hear.

[Jer 25:4 ESV] – 4 You have neither listened nor inclined your ears to hear, although the LORD persistently sent to you all his servants the prophets,

[Eze 12:2 ESV] – 2 "Son of man, you dwell in the midst of a rebellious house, who have eyes to see, but see not, who have ears to hear, but hear not, for they are a rebellious house.

[Mat 11:15 ESV] – 15 He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

[Mar 4:9, 23 ESV] – 9 And he said, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear." ... 23 If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear."

[Luk 8:8 ESV] – 8 And some fell into good soil and grew and yielded a hundredfold." As he said these things, he called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

[Luk 14:35 ESV] – 35 It is of no use either for the soil or for the manure pile. It is thrown away. He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

[Zec 7:11 ESV] – 11 But they refused to pay attention and turned a stubborn shoulder and stopped their ears that they might not hear.

[Rom 11:8 ESV] – 8 as it is written, "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day."

Signed, Sealed Delivered, Im yours Stevie Wonder https://youtu.be/inXC_lab-34?si=kzZh-CPcSTpuFMj2 1st 25 seconds

Like a fool I went and stayed too long
Now I'm wondering if your love's still strong
Oo, baby, here I am, signed, sealed, delivered, I'm yours!
Then that time I went and said goodbye
Now I'm back and not ashamed to cry
Oo, baby, here I am, signed, sealed, delivered, I'm yours!
Here I am baby
Signed, sealed, delivered, I'm yours
(You got my future in your hands)
Here I am baby
Signed, sealed, delivered, I'm yours
(You got my future in your hands)
I've done a lot of foolish things
That I really didn't mean, didn't I?

Seen a lot of things in this old world
When I touch them, they mean nothing, girl
Oo, baby, here I am, signed, sealed, delivered, I'm yours!
Oowee baby, you set my soul on fire
That's why I know you're my heart's only desire
Here I am baby
Signed, sealed, delivered, I'm yours
(You got my future in your hands)
Here I am baby
Signed, sealed, delivered, I'm yours
(You got my future in your hands)

P.Fay. 91, 1st century (Contract for Labour in an Oil-Press).



ἈΡΡΑΒΩΝ

guarantee

This is P.Fay. 91, dated to the year 99 AD. This papyrus document was an employment contract for a woman named

Thenetkoueis, where the Greek term ἈΡΡΑΒΩΝ is used to refer to a down-payment of 16 drachma (approx. \$872 USD) with the contractual promise of further payment.

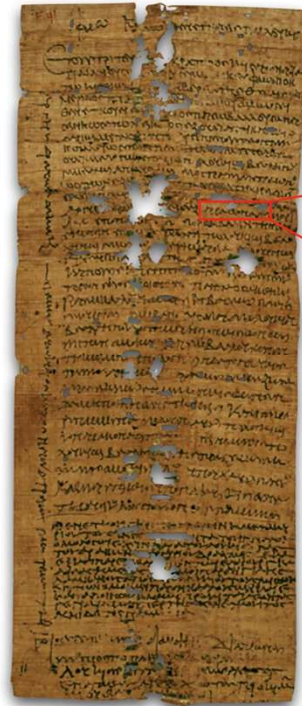
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Employment contract. \$872 deposit

Until that last day, and for that final time, we have been sealed with the Holy Spirit and received a taste in advance — our **ΑΡΡΑΒΩΝ** — of the powers of the age to come.

The Spirit is our “guarantee” (ESV, KJV), “deposit” (NIV), “first instalment” (NASB), “down payment” (NET) or “pledge” (LSB, DRB), concerning the inheritance believers in Christ possess in the here and now.



ΑΡΡΑΒΩΝ

guarantee

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(Contract for Labour in an Oil-Press).

Guarantee,

Deposit

1st Installment

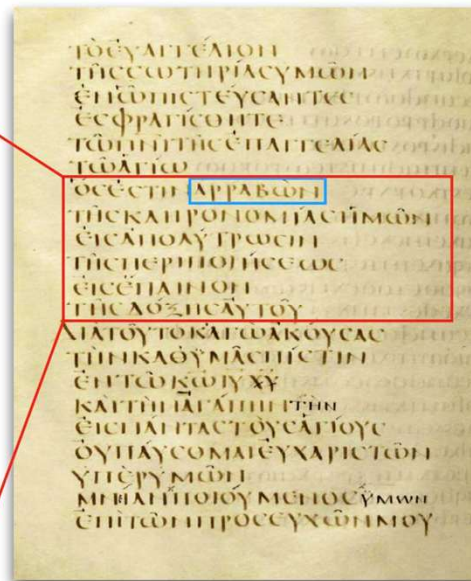
Down payment

Pledge

1st century Greek

Ephesians 1:14-15 uses the same word in reference to the Holy Spirit when it says:

And when you heard the word of truth (the gospel of your salvation) - when you believed in Christ - you were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit, who is the **down payment** of our inheritance, until the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of his glory.

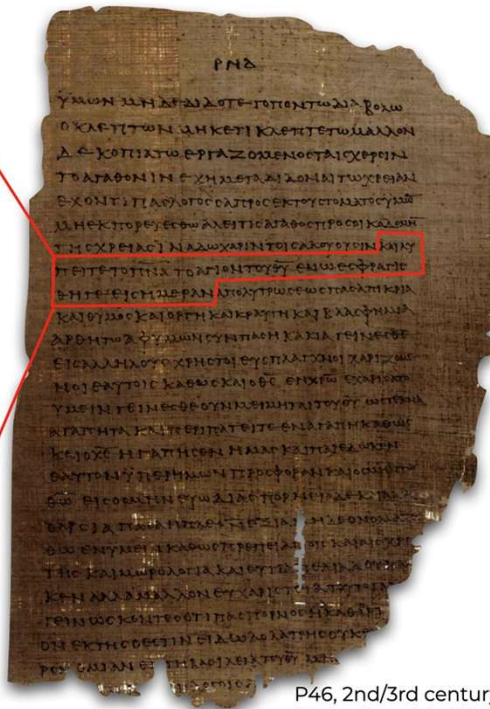


GA 06, 6th century (Ephesians 1:14-16).

The Holy Spirit is the down payment IN US

See it in the Greek!

And do not
grieve the
Holy Spirit
of God, by
whom you
were sealed
for the day
of
redemption.



P46, 2nd/3rd century
(Ephesians 4: is 26-5:6).

This, together
with Ephesians
1:13-14, which
also speaks of
our being sealed
“until our
redemption”,
links our present
experience of
the person of
the Holy Spirit
with that future
day when Christ
returns.

2nd and 3rd Century Greek. Eph.4:30
No chapter numbers or punctuation

[Eph 4:30 ESV] – 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.



Perseverance of the Saints
Eternal Security!
Once saved always saved

It's a Lock! His Love!

God the Father's Seal!

- John 6:27 – “Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.”
- 2 Corinthians 1:22 – and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.
- 2 Timothy 2:19 – But God's firm foundation stands, bearing this seal: “The Lord knows those who are his,” ...

[Eph 4:30 ESV] – 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

[Jhn 6:27 ESV] – 27 Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.”

[2Co 1:22 ESV] – 22 and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

[2Ti 2:19 ESV] – 19 But God's firm foundation stands, bearing this seal: “The Lord knows those who are his,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of the Lord depart from iniquity.”

[Rom 4:11 ESV] – 11 He received the sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised. The purpose was to make him the father of all who believe without being circumcised, so that righteousness would be counted to them as well,

[Rev 7:2 ESV] – 2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea,

[Rev 7:3-4 ESV] – 3 saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.” 4 And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:



Revelation – competing markers!

Seal of God vs Mark of the Beast!

Eph 4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Rev 7:3, 16-17 saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." ... 16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. 17 For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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Rev 20:1-3 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain. 2 And he seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years, 3 and threw him into the pit, and shut it and sealed it over him, so that he might not deceive the nations any longer, until the thousand years were ended. After that he must be released for a little while

The Holy Spirit is the 3rd person of Triune God!

- We believe in the trinity/Triune God – 3 persons, 1 God!
- ‘He’ is spoken of in Masculine gender (John 14 – 16)
- He is vital to our sanctification and success
- His Work and Fruit testify to His indwelling in us all
- Unfortunately, too many emphasize His gifts instead
- He is the “Earnest”, The Down Payment, the Guarantee

His comforting Presence and Convicting work are a great blessing

The Earnest/Guarantee – Arrabon, see next slide

[Mat 28:19 ESV] – 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

[2Co 13:14 ESV] – 14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

[Jhn 14:16 ESV] – 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever,

[Jhn 14:26 ESV] – 26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

[Jhn 15:26 ESV] – 26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.

[Jhn 16:7-11, 13-15 ESV] – 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. ... 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you. 15 All that the Father has is mine; therefore I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN OUR LIVES



Gives Spiritual Life
Quickens the believer from
spiritual death
John 6:63



Indwells Permanently
Takes up residence in every
saved believer
Romans 8:9



Seals Unto Redemption
Marks believers as God's own
possession
Ephesians 1:13-14



Bears Witness of Christ
Glorifies Jesus and testifies of Him
John 15:26



Teaches Divine Truth
Reveals spiritual understanding
beyond human wisdom
1 Corinthians 2:12



Produces Godly Fruit
Forms Christlike character over
time. "Galatians 5:22-23"



Empowers Witness
Provides boldness to testify of Christ
Acts 1:8



Assures Salvation
Confirms our identity as God's children
Romans 8:16



Helps in Weakness
Intercedes when words and strength
fail
Romans 8:26



Leads in Liberty
Frees believers from
spiritual bondage
2 Corinthians 3:17



33 THINGS THE HOLY SPIRIT DOES

1. HE HELPS US (Rom. 8:26)
2. HE GUIDES US (John 16:13)
3. HE TEACHES US (John 14:26)
4. HE SPEAKS (Rev. 2:7)
5. HE REVEALS (1 Cor. 2:16)
6. HE INSTRUCTS (Acts 9:29)
7. HE TESTIFIES OF JESUS (John 15:26)
8. HE COMFORTS US (Acts 9:21)
9. HE CALLS US (Acts 13:3)
12. HE PRAYS FOR US (Rom. 8:26)
13. HE PROPHESES THROUGH US (2 Pet. 1:21)
14. HE BEARS WITNESS TO THE TRUTH (Rom. 8:1)
16. HE BRINGS JOY (1 Thess. 1:6)
16. HE BRINGS FREEDOM (2 Cor. 3:17)
17. HE HELPS US OBEY (1 Per. 1:22)
18. HE TRANSFORMS US (2 Cor. 3:18)
19. HE DWELLS IN US (Rom. 8:11)
20. HE REVEALS JESUS' RETURN (John 16:3)
21. HE CONVICTS US (Rom. 8:2)

23. HE RENEWS US (11)-9:5)
24. HE PRODUCES FRUIT IN US (Gal 5:22-23)
25. HE GIVES GIFTS (1 Cor. 12:4-11)
25. HE LEADS US (Rom. 8:14)
27. HE CONVICTS US (1 Cor. 8:11)
28. HE SANCTIFIES US (1 O... 6:11)
29. HE EMPOWERS US (Acts 1:9)
30. HE SEALS US (Eph. 1:13)
31. HE GIVES US ACCESS TO THE FATHER (Eph. 2:18)
32. HE ENABLES US TO WAIT (Gal. 5:5)
33. HE CASTS OUT DEMONS (Matt. 12:26)

Verses
to
remember



What is a Seal?

- “Seal of approval” A Seal is a 1 of a kind signet used to mark things representing Authority and Excellence
- Ephesians 1:13 – In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,
- Ephesians 4:30 – And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

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- Matthew 27:62-66 -

Satan tried to Seal the Tomb of Jesus!

[1Co 2:8 ESV] – 8 None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

[Col 2:14-15 ESV] – 14 by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. 15 He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

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Rome, the MOST Powerful Empire in the world at that time, Could Not prevent the resurrection of Christ, Even though they knew His promise and when it would happen!

1. They rolled a Great, Heavy Stone
2. They Set an Armed Roman guard, under threat of death if they failed!
3. They sealed the Tomb with the Seal of Rome. The threat of death on anyone who dared break it!



The Book of Revelation begins with a discussion of the scrolls/books that were sealed!

[Rev 5:1 ESV] – 1 Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals.

[Dan 12:4 ESV] – 4 But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase."

Rev 5:2-9, 12 And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" 3 And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, 4 and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. 5 And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." 6 And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. 7 And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. 8 And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ... 12 saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

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God is “Earnest” about our salvation

- who is the guarantee
 - given as a pledge
 - ‘An Earnest’ – Real estate term for downpayment
 - 2 Corinthians 1:22 – and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.
 - 2 Corinthians 5:5 – He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

[2Co 1:22 ESV] – 22 and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

[2Co 5:5 ESV] – 5 He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

[Eph 1:14 ESV] – 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

You Marry someone promising a Guarantee of your love and faithfulness!

We buy some cars with a Guarantee! We like Security

[Isa 9:6-7 ESV] – 6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.



The symbols of our Faith

1. A Birth Certificate- "Born again" (from above), a second time. Not a 3rd, 4th, 5th...Jn.3, Heb.2:5-18, 12:4-11, Its on the desk and missing written attribution
2. A Wedding Ring- God hates Divorce and Displays Reconciliation! Jer.3:1, 8, Isa.50:1, Hosea, The Church is the Bride of Christ! Jesus promised "Never" to forsake her! For better for worse! Eph.5, Rom.9-11 God still loves and will redeem Israel after all her adulteries.
3. An Anchor - God cannot lie and He promised you unconditional redemption. Heb.6 If you can lose your salvation then God is a liar and Doesn't keep His Promises. Titus 1:2
4. A Tree/Vine. The Fruit reveals the root! Our actions don't make us, they reveal us. An apple tree was always an apple tree! Mt.7:15-23, 12:30-37, Ja.3:9-18. It's similar to a Pregnancy test, the test doesn't make you pregnant, and it only tells if you are. But it is not perfect; sometimes it is a false positive.
5. A Rod- He only disciplines His own! If your sin can separate you from Him then you are no longer His. When He disciplines me it is proof I sinned and still I am His! Heb.12, 1 Cor.11
6. A Shingle/An Attorney- When I sin, My Advocate! 1 Jn.1-2
7. A King's Document Seal- Jn.6:27, Eph.1:32, 4:30, 2 Cor.1:22, 2 Tim.2:19, Rev.5:1-5, 7:3 (on table it says Eternal Security)

- Perseverance of the Saints – an Olive tree, Vine, an Ant
- Preservation – Jesus' Hands, wrapped In Fathers Jn.10
- Eternal Security – God Swore! Heb.6! An Anchor/storm!
- Once saved - Always Saved. Rom.8:1, 31-39. Eph.5:25
- Assurance – When we've sinned, focus on His love!
- 2Ti 1:12 "for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until

that day what has been entrusted to me.”

Once Again we address a Doctrine that evokes deep passions, debate and divisions
Any doctrine can be distorted, perverted and abused. In fact, ever single one has been!

Perseverance focuses on our allegiance and Loyalty to Christ! Nothing will stop us! No one questions Satan's unchangeableness or purpose! Isn't ours more noble?!!
Cockroach or Salmon?! Weed or Rose? Daisy - Love me/Love me nots! Our Salvation is the Work of God from beginning to End, He doesn't Quit!! We persevere b/c we are driven by his Love!!!! You are the reason!

[Jas 1:12 ESV] 12 Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him.

Preservation – Jesus said over my dead body, My Fathers hands and the Holy Spirits Power! We are to be preservatives! Salt! can't spoil! Avocado/Bananas or Twinkies

Eternal Security – He's got me! Net under the bridge! [Eph 5:25 ESV] 25 Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her,” Not conditional! Permanent love that perseveres!

[2Pe 2:7 ESV] 7 and if he rescued righteous Lot, greatly distressed by the sensual conduct of the wicked

[Heb 11:32 ESV] 32 And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets–

Assurance: 1Jo 5:13 ESV] 13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life.

[Psa 51:11-12 ESV] 11 Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. 12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit.

Preservation : God Keeps His Promises! And HE Keeps us, doesn't throw us away! We are His children

[Jde 1:23-24 ESV] 23 save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh. 24 Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy,

[Psa 121:7-8 ESV] 7 The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. 8 The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

[Jhn 10:28-29 ESV] 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

Eternal Security – Salvation is a GIFT!!

[Rom 3:24 ESV] 24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,

[Rom 5:17 ESV] 17 For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

[Rom 6:23 ESV] 23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

[Eph 1:13 ESV] 13 In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,

[Eph 4:30 ESV] 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. [Eph 1:13-14 ESV] 13 In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, 14 who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

[2Ti 1:9, 12 ESV] 9 who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ... 12 which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me.

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Calum Scott - You Are The Reason

Love Song by Third Day with lyrics

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• Love Song By Third Day (With Lyrics) Love Song (by Third Day) Well I've heard it said, that a man would climb a mountain Just to be with the one he loves How many times has he broken that promise It has never been done. Well, I never climbed the highest mountain But I walked the hill of calvary Chorus: And just to be with you, I would do anything There's no price I would not pay, no. And just to be with you, I would give everything And I would give my life away, yeah__. And I've heard it said that a man would swim the oceans Just to be with the one he loves. But all of those dreams, are an empty emotion. It can never be done. Well, I never swam the deepest ocean But I walked upon the raging sea. Chorus: And just to be with you, I would do anything There's no price I would not pay, no. And just to be with you, I would give everything And I would give my life away. Yeah__. (Bridge) And I know that you don't understand the fullness of My love How I died upon the cross for your sin. And I know that you don't realize how much that I give you And I promise, well I would do it all again. Chorus: And just to be with you, I've done everything There's no price I did not pay, no. And just to be with you, I gave everything Yes, I gave My life away, yeah__. I gave My life away, yeah And just to be with you. Oh, just to be with you. Oh, just to be with you. Oh, just to be with you.

I am not ashamed, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him...

Able to Guard

2 Timothy 1:12

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I know whom I have believed

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What has been entrusted to me (gifted)

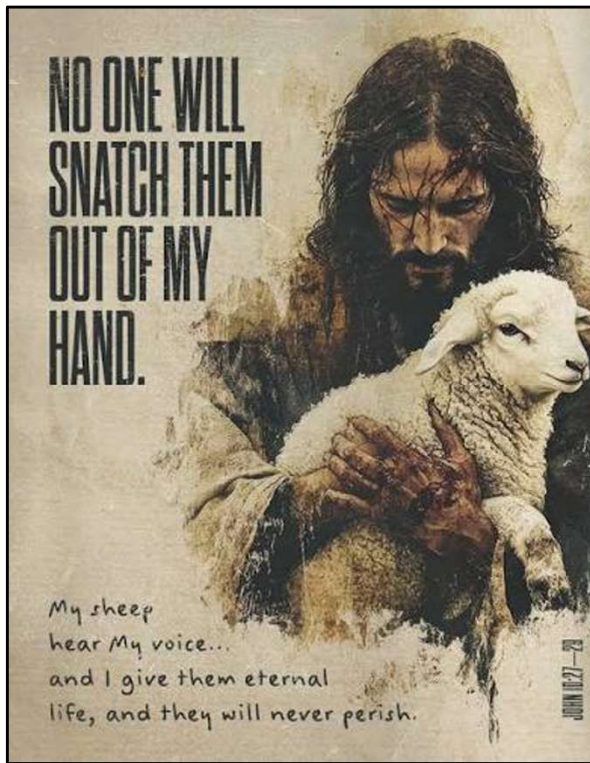
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To keep/Guard, A Safe?

[Act 28:16 ESV] – 16 And when we came into Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier who guarded him.

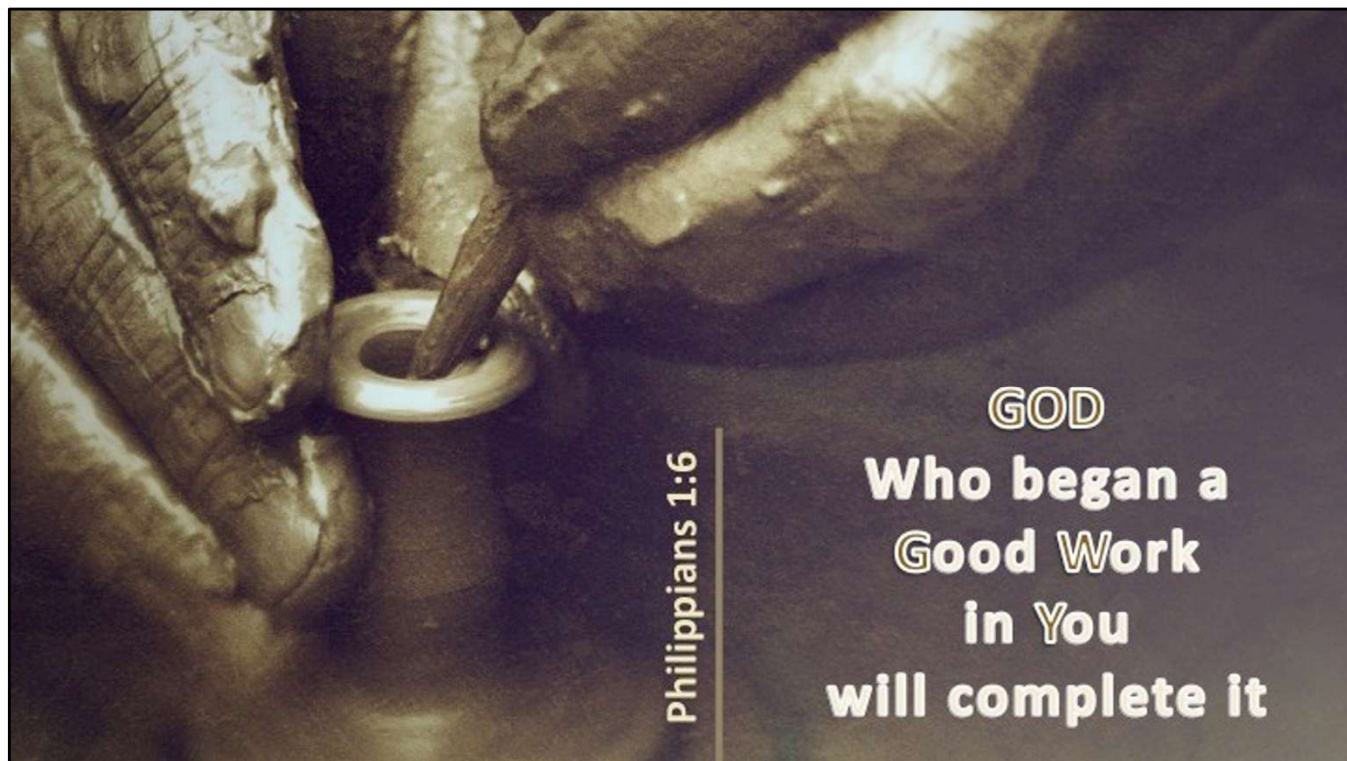
[2Ti 1:14 ESV] – 14 By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

[Jde 1:24 ESV] – 24 Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy,



[Jhn 10:27-29 ESV] – 27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

His Nail Scarred hands!



[Phi 1:6 ESV] – 6 And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

[Heb 12:2 KJV] Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of [our] faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

ESV looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith,

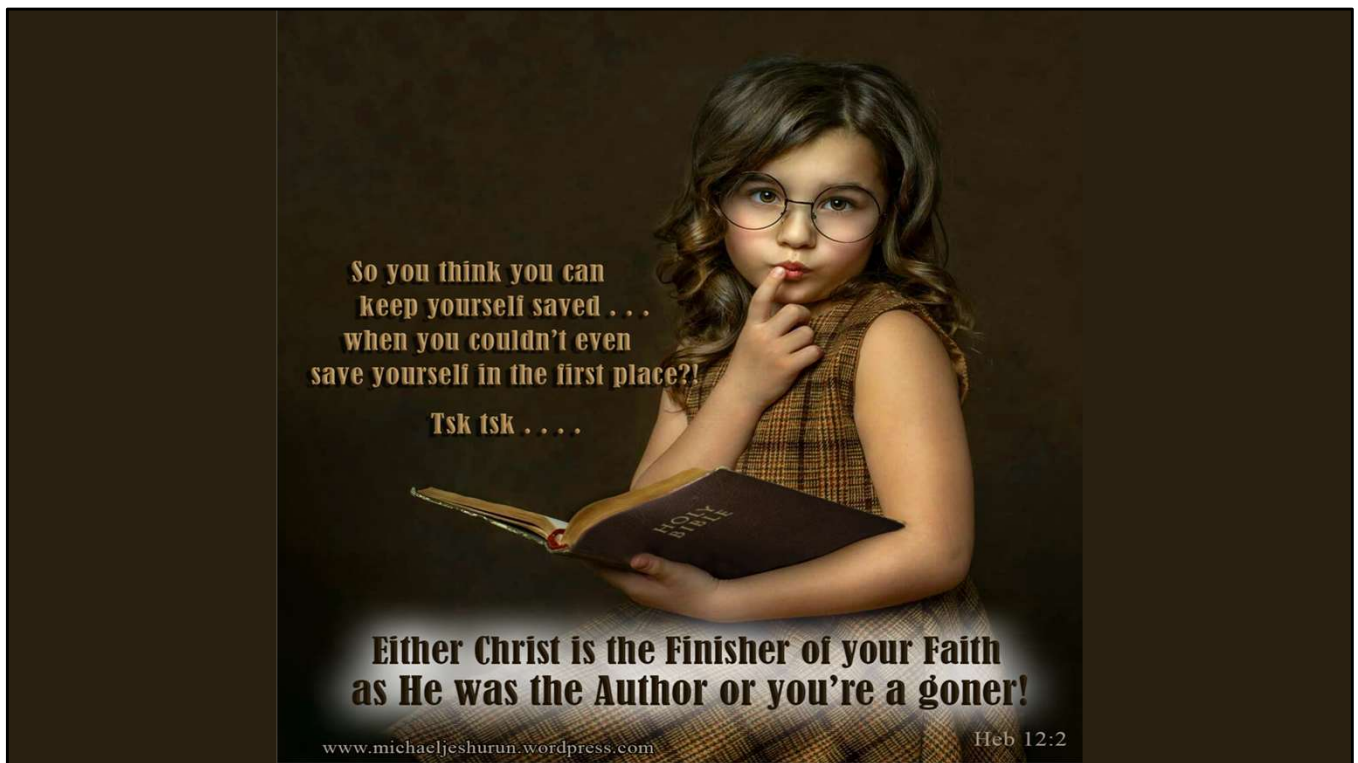
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- C.H. Spurgeon -

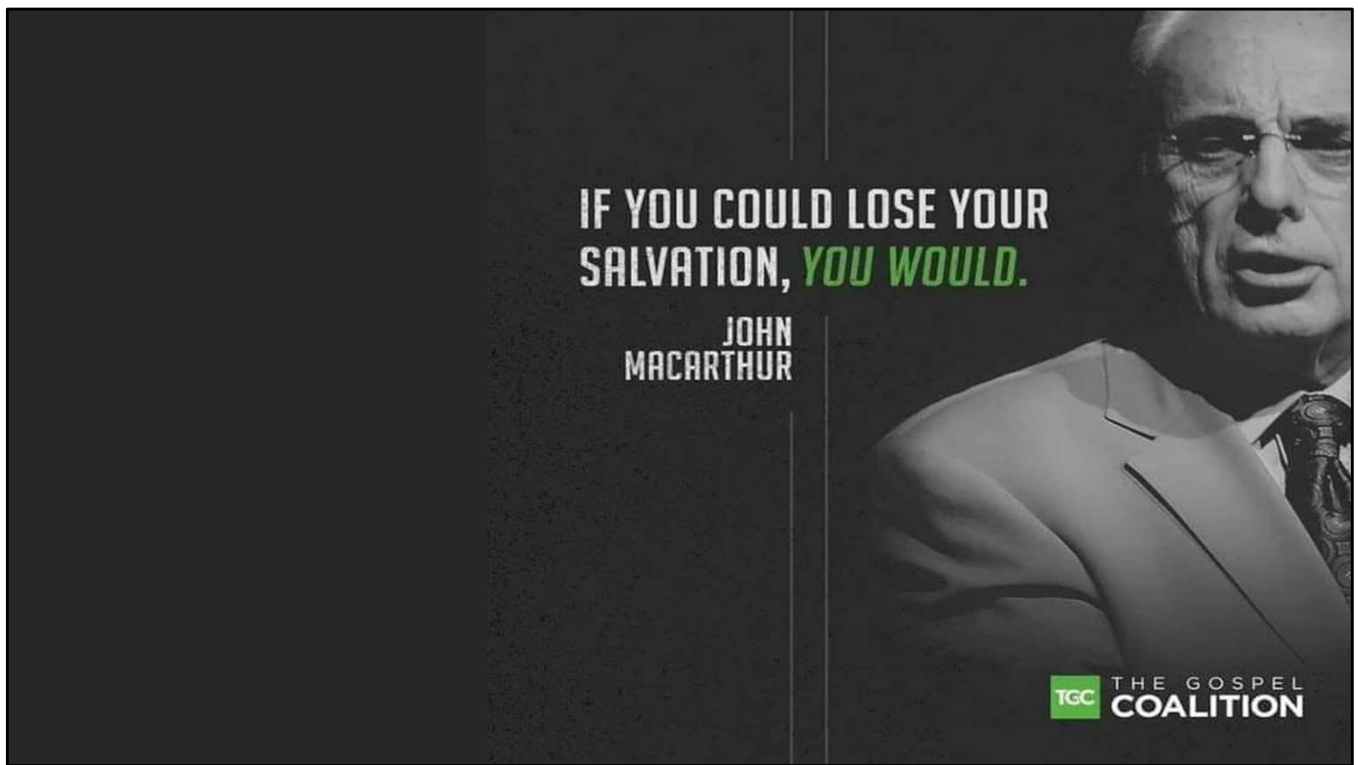


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The saints will persevere in Holiness, because God will persevere, In us and through us, in Grace!



So you think you can keep yourself saved...when you couldn't even save yourself in the first place?!
Tsk...tsk...
Either Christ is the Finisher of your faith as HE was the Author, or you're a goner!
Heb.12:2

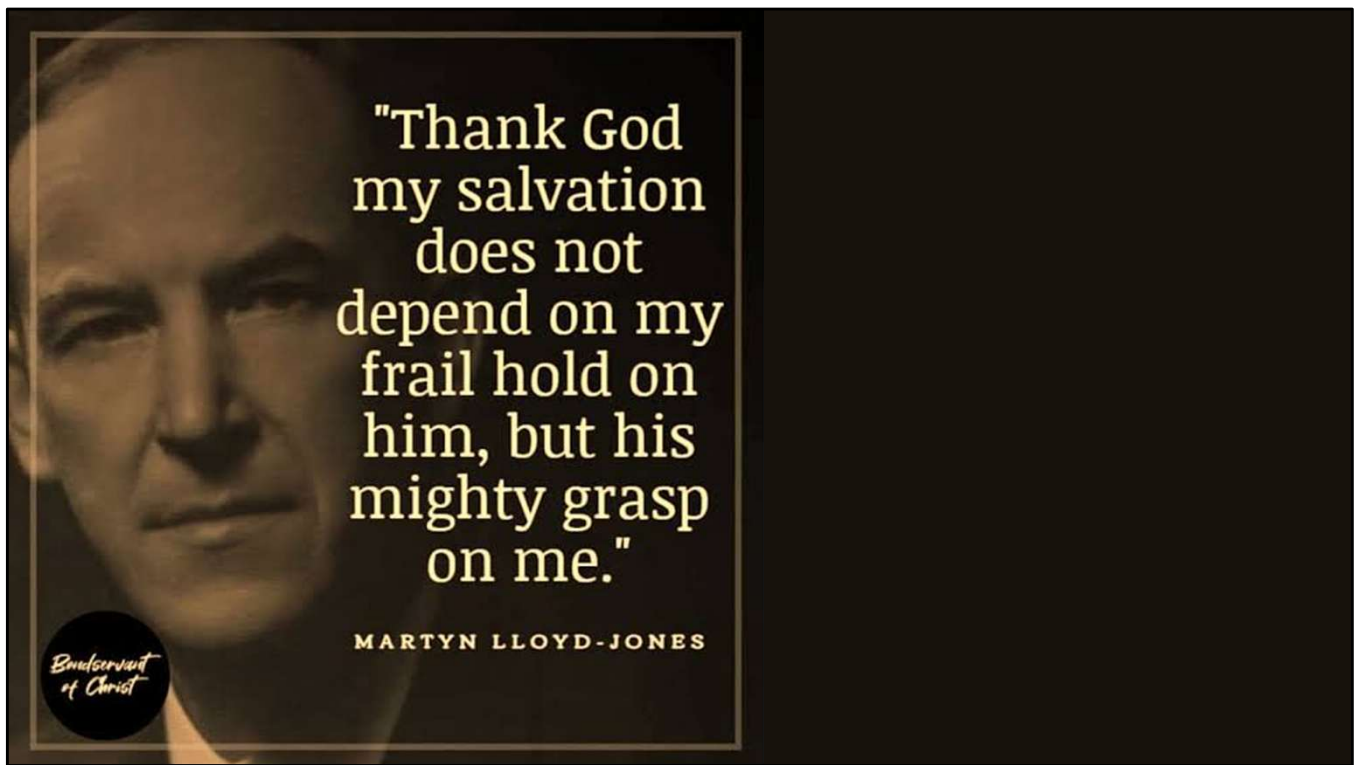


IF YOU COULD LOSE YOUR
SALVATION, *YOU WOULD.*

JOHN
MACARTHUR

TGC THE GOSPEL
COALITION

If it were left up to us at all, We would Most certainly lose it!



Thank God my salvation does NOT depend on my frail hold on Him, But His mighty grasp on me!

PERSEVERANCE

REFORMED SPIRIT



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LOUIS BERKHOF

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WHY YOU CAN'T LOSE SALVATION UNDER GRACE

1. You didn't earn it – you can't lose it.

Ephesians 2:8-9

2. You've been reborn – no going back.

2 Corinthians 5:17

3. Sealed by the Spirit – for good.

Ephesians 1:13

4. God already said: Justified. Glorified.

Romans 8:30

5. Nothing can break His love.

Romans 8:38-39

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Romans 6:23

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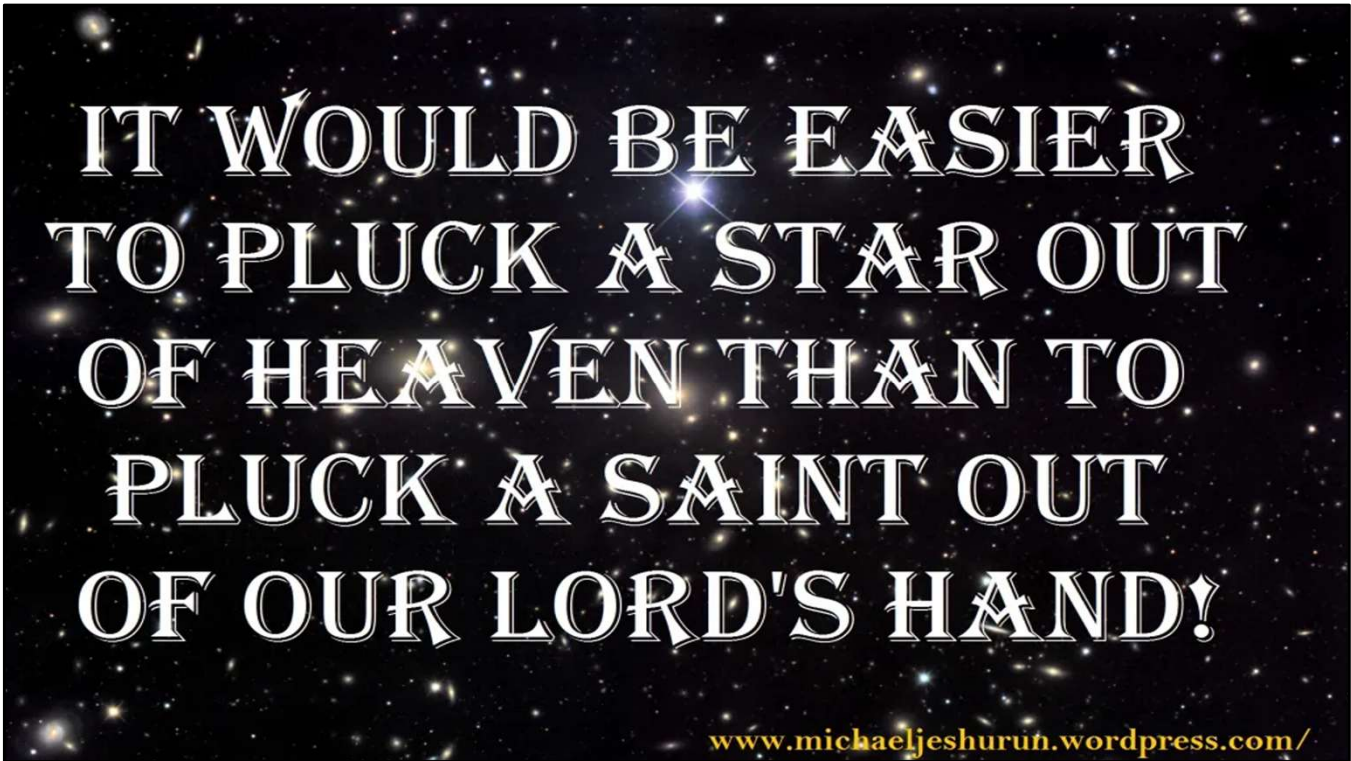
You're Sealed by the Spirit – No one is capable of breaking His Seal, undoing His Doing!

God has already declared/Promised it: Our Justification and Glorification

Nothing/No one can break His Love for us! You would have to compromise Gods character!

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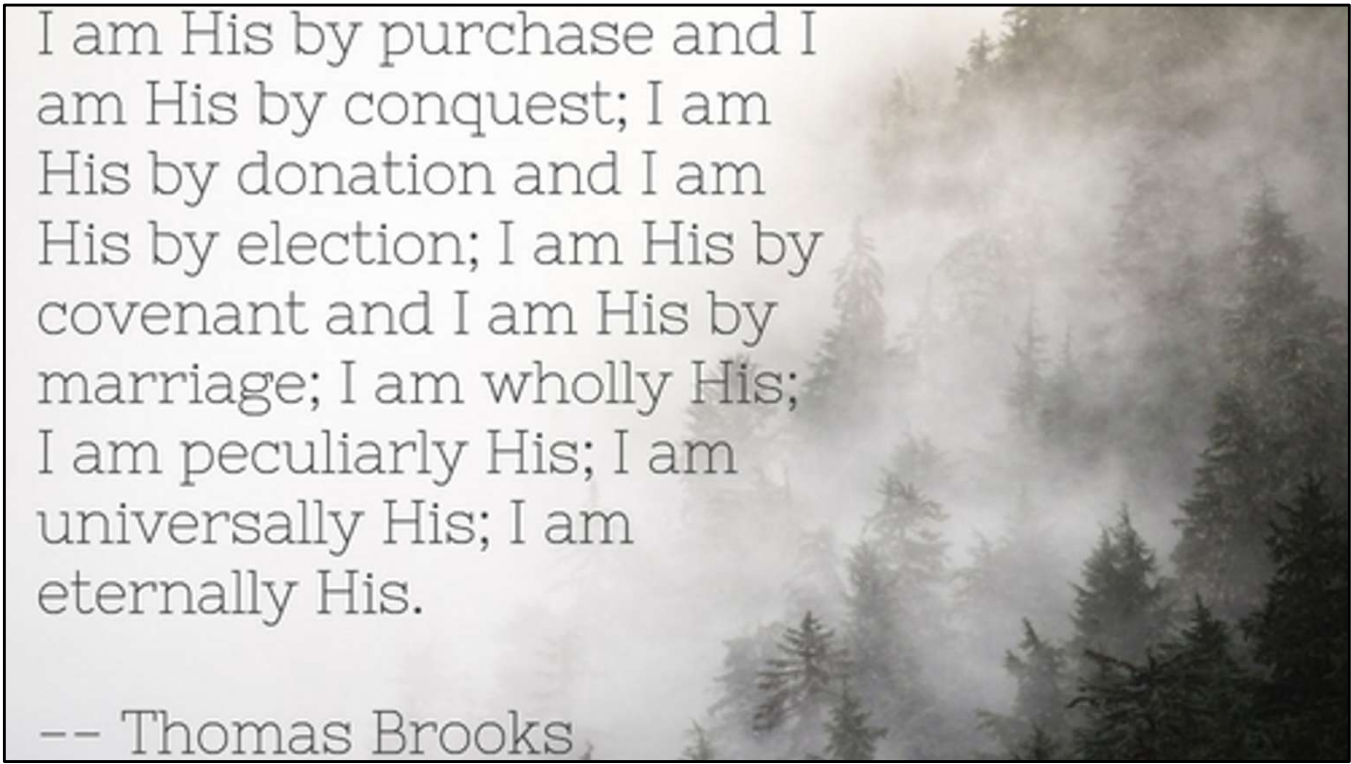
You're not waiting to be Saved – You are! 1Co 1:18– 18 For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.



IT WOULD BE EASIER
TO PLUCK A STAR OUT
OF HEAVEN THAN TO
PLUCK A SAINT OUT
OF OUR LORD'S HAND!

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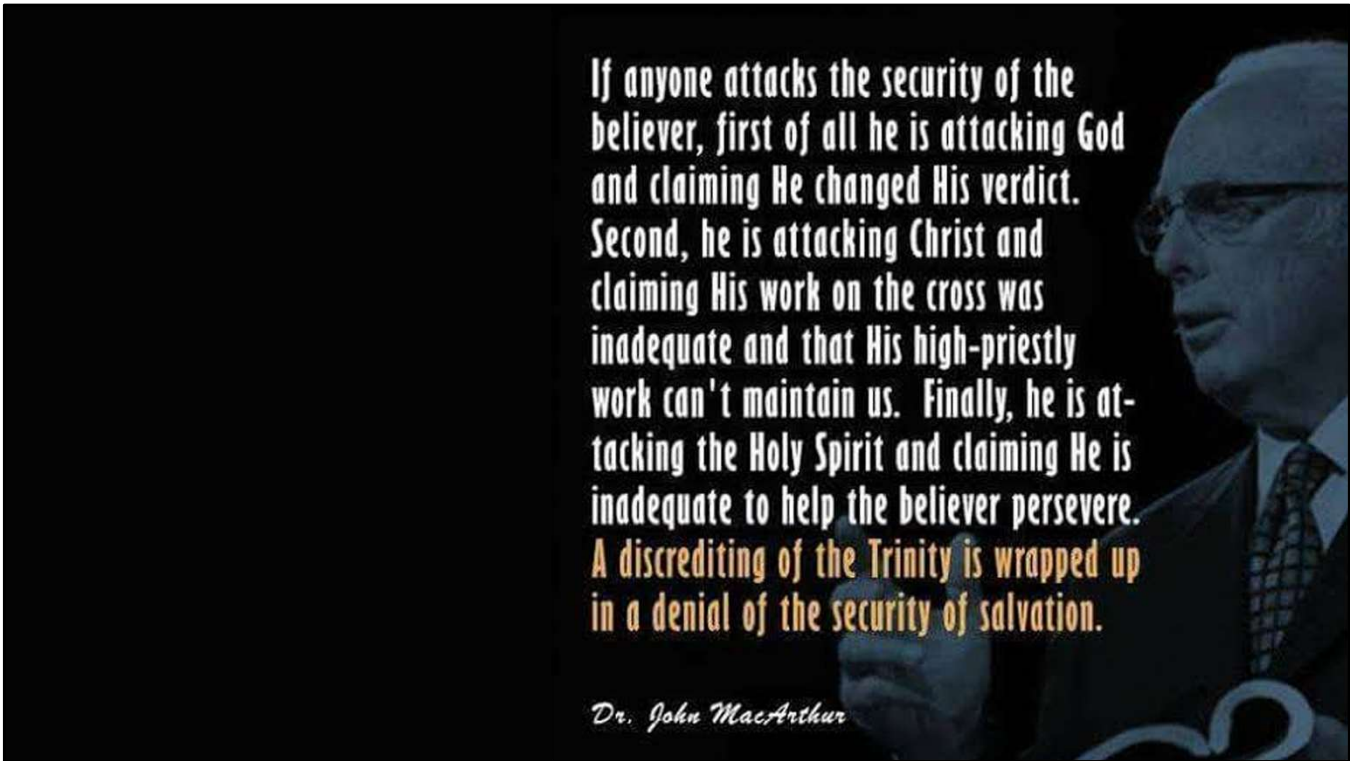
Thomas Watson



I am His by purchase and I
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His by donation and I am
His by election; I am His by
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eternally His.

-- Thomas Brooks

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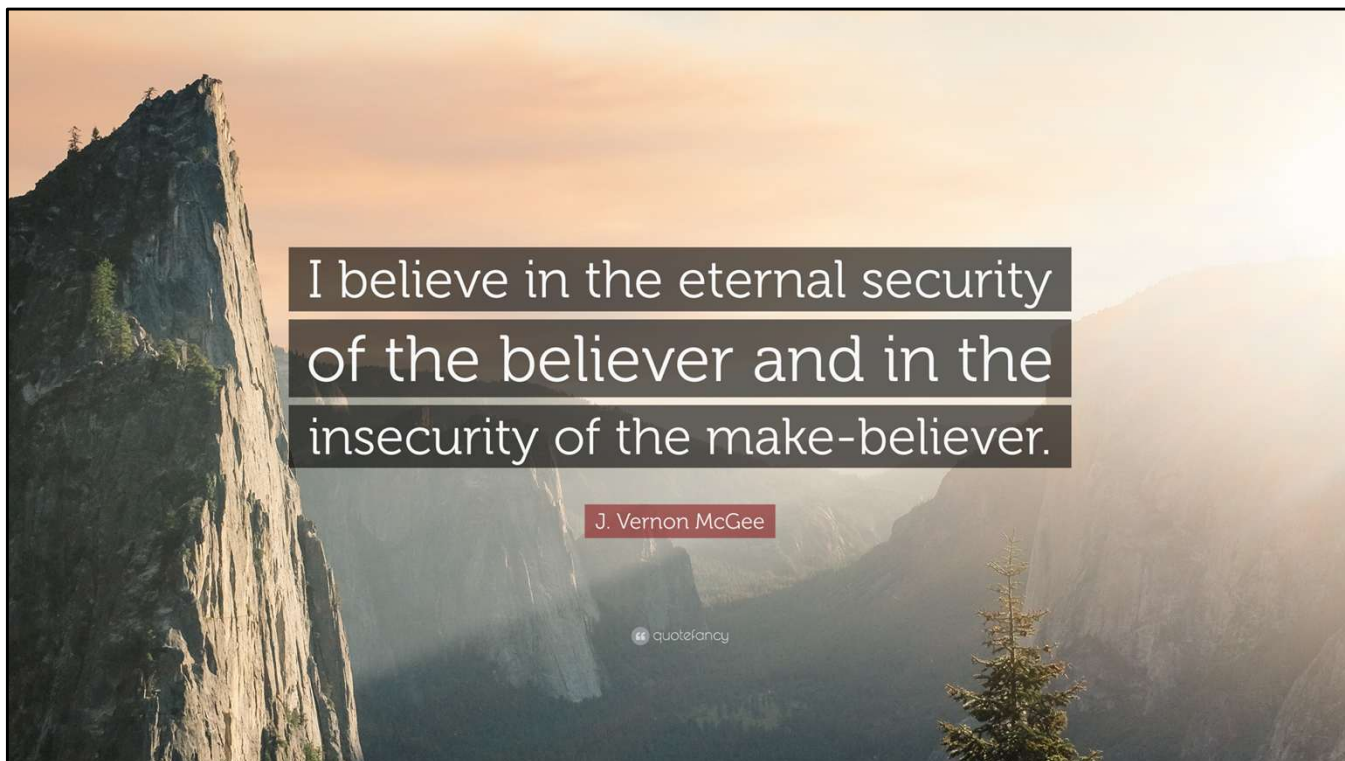
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**I believe in the Eternal Security of the Believer and
The Insecurity of the Make Believer!**

The real issue is Whether or NOT you were truly saved in the 1st place!

Eternally Secures means...

- **My Heavenly Father keeps His word, and my soul!**
- **The Lord holds my hand, in His hand, wrapped In Jesus'**
- **His work in me is still His work 1st! And Last!**
- **I am not serving Him out of debt and Fear but in Love!**
- **My salvation is then truly SDG, not attributed to me ever**
- **What an extravagant Gift! Gratitude!**

Make sure you really Know Him!!!

Those who don't merely want to USE Him to escape Hell (the punishment for sin) Not to be saved from sin

[2Co 13:5 ESV] – 5 Examine yourselves, to see whether you are in the faith. Test yourselves. Or do you not realize this about yourselves, that Jesus Christ is in you?—unless indeed you fail to meet the test!

THE PROBLEM WITH ETERNAL SECURITY

No worries. I'm just
waiting for God to
come and get me.





CALVINISM

ETERNAL SECURITY

Romans 8:38-39: Is There Nothing That Can
Separate Us from the Love of God?

Some are still Angry that God would override mans will??!

We are Sealed because...

- God has changed our hearts
- We have met Jesus, and He has saved us, from sin!
- The Holy Spirit is 1st Holy! HE abides in us!
- The Holy Spirit now Fills us!
- The renovations and cleansing have begun!
- It is His work!

He doesn't just guarantee our salvation! He guarantees TO keep transforming us, rescuing us, Loving us,

We cant lose our salvation because we don't have it!

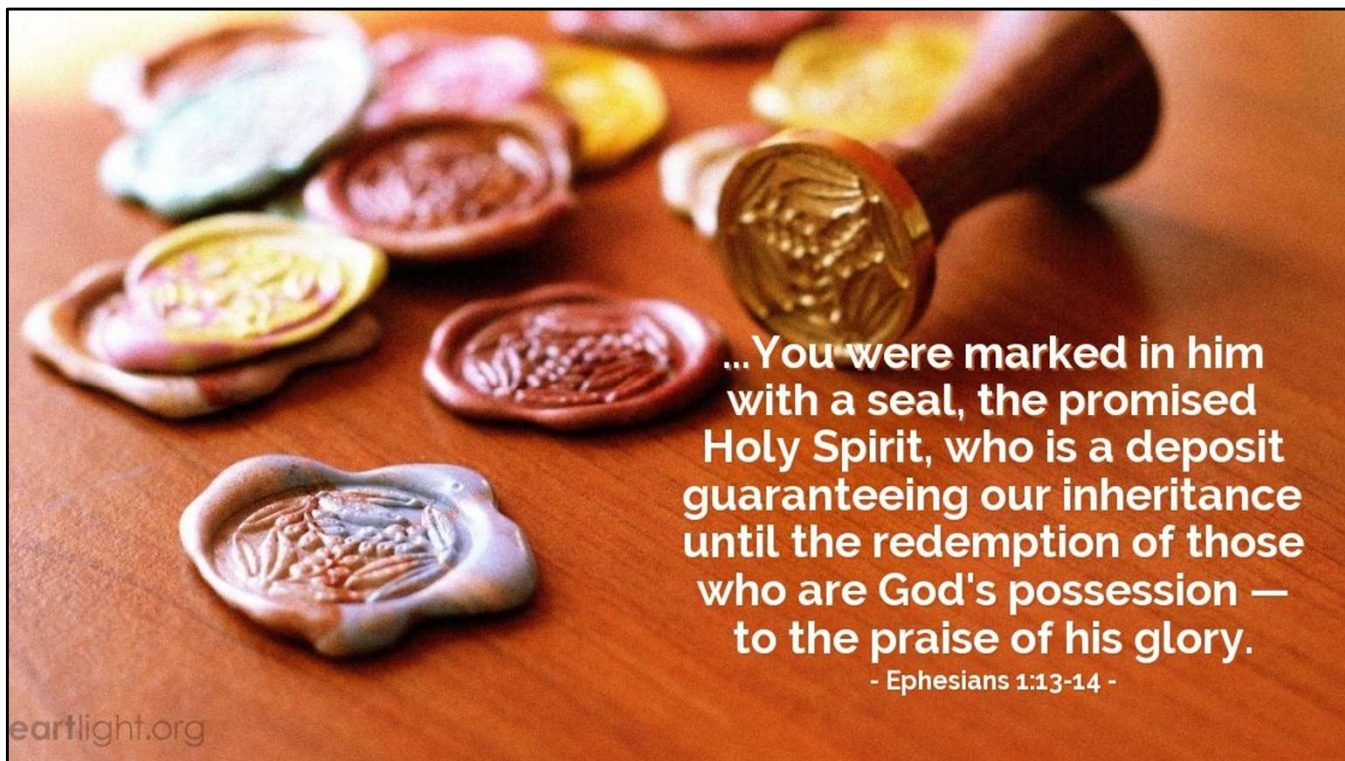


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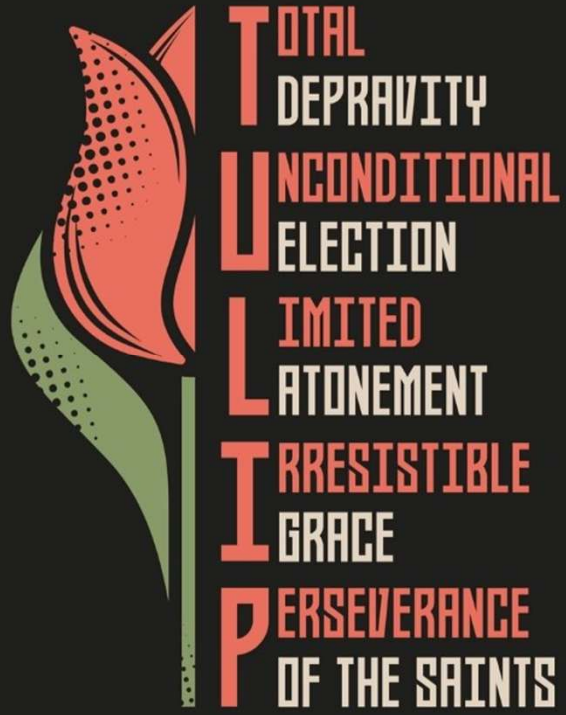
- Ephesians 1:13-14 -

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A photograph of a wooden desk with a piece of parchment paper. On the paper is a red wax seal and a wooden gavel. A wooden block is also visible on the desk.

*And you also were included in Christ
when you heard the message of truth,
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- Ephesians 1:13 NIV -



Designation	Passage
“the Spirit of God”	Genesis 1:2
“the Holy Spirit of God”	Ephesians 4:30
“the Holy Spirit”	John 14:26
“the Spirit”	1 Timothy 4:1
“the Spirit of the LORD”	Isaiah 40:13; Micah 3:8; 2 Cor. 3:17
“the Spirit of the living God”	2 Corinthians 3:3
“the Spirit of your Father”	Matthew 10:20
“the Spirit of Jesus”	Acts 16:7
“the Spirit of Christ”	1 Peter 1:11
“the Spirit of Jesus Christ”	Philippians 1:19
“the Spirit of glory”	1 Peter 4:14
“the Spirit of truth”	John 16:13
“the Spirit of holiness”	Romans 1:4
“the Spirit of God”/“the Spirit of Christ”	Romans 8:9
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of your faith
produces**

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Perseverance.

**Let perseverance
finish its work so that
you may be mature and
complete, not lacking
anything. (James 1:2-4)**

SEALED MEANS SEALED

Ephesians 4:30

And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

2 Timothy 2:13

If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

**SEALED.
COMPLETE.
SECURE IN
CHRIST.**

Colossians 2:10

And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

Colossians 3:3-4

For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Romans 8:38-39

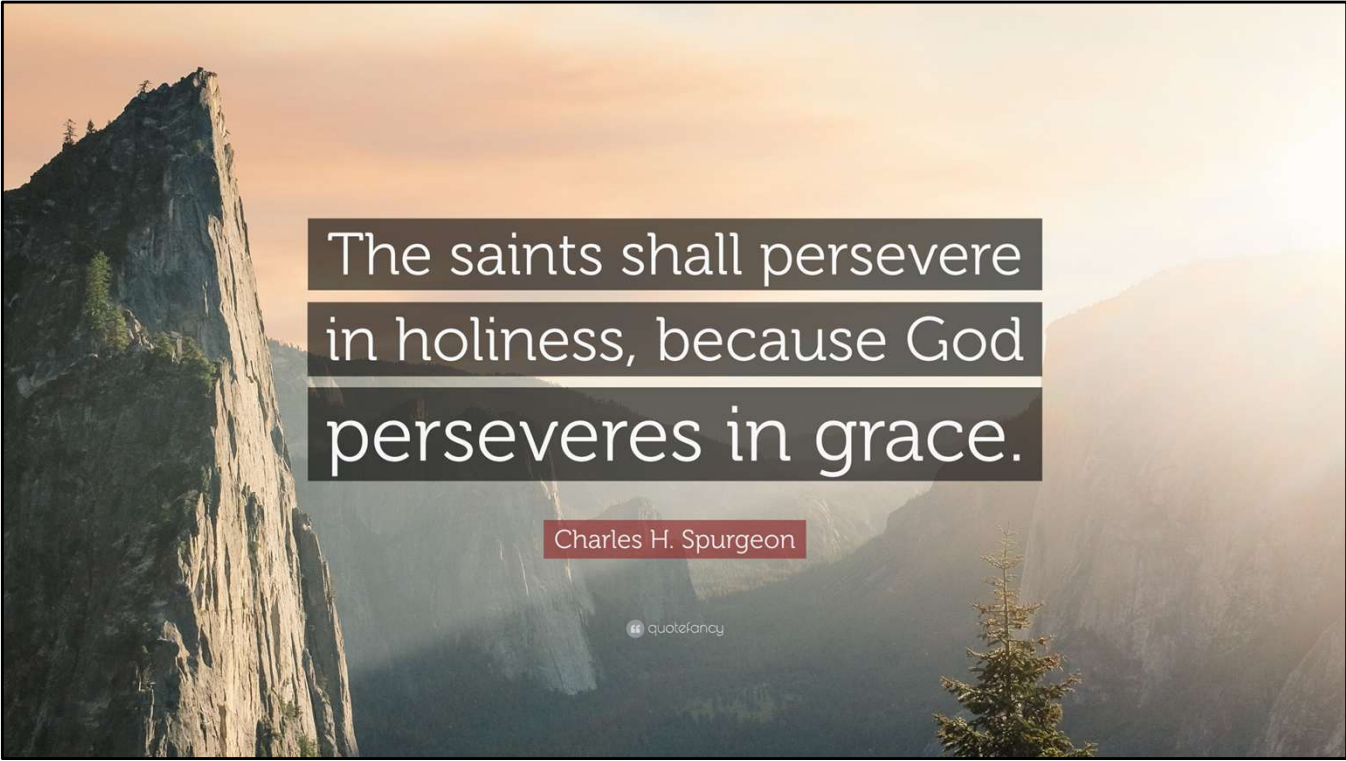
For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



PERSEVERANCE IS THE BADGE OF TRUE SAINTS.

— CHARLES HADDON SPURGEON

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Charles H. Spurgeon

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN
THAT BELIEVERS ARE
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HOLY SPIRIT OF
PROMISE?

EPHESIANS 1:13

 Got
Questions

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN OUR LIVES



Gives Spiritual Life

Quickens the believer from spiritual death
John 6:63



Indwells Permanently

Takes up residence in every saved believer
Romans 8:9



Seals Unto Redemption

Marks believers as God's own possession
Ephesians 1:13–14



Bears Witness of Christ

Glorifies Jesus and testifies of Him
John 15:26



Teaches Divine Truth

Reveals spiritual understanding beyond human wisdom
1 Corinthians 2:12



Produces Godly Fruit

Forms Christlike character over time. "Galatians 5:22–23"



Empowers Witness

Provides boldness to testify of Christ
Acts 1:8



Assures Salvation

Confirms our identity as God's children
Romans 8:16



Helps in Weakness

Intercedes when words and strength fail
Romans 8:26



Leads in Liberty

Frees believers from spiritual bondage
2 Corinthians 3:17

