

Becoming a Genuine Heir of God

Life in Christ: Wealth, Walk, Warfare (Ephesians) – Part 25

Ephesians 1:13-14

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¹³ ...in whom you also, when *you* heard the word of truth, the good news¹ of your salvation – in whom also, when *you* believed, you were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,² ¹⁴ who is the down-payment of our inheritance, until the redemption of His³ possession, unto the praise of His glory! [DJP]

Introduction:

I. Overview: Interpretive Paraphrase of Ephesians 1:13-14

[...Christ,] in union with whom also you were stamped with the promised Holy Spirit as God's very own. This happened when you heard the word that brings truth, the Gospel that brings salvation, and you believed. The Holy Spirit is God's down-payment of our inheritance, and He remains so until God finally redeems us by resurrecting and glorifying us – we who are God's special possession. All praise to God's glory!

II. To Become God's Genuine Heir, You Must _____ (v. 13a)

A. The _____

1. Note what it *isn't*: "You were sealed with the Spirit when..."
2. Note what it *is*: "You were sealed with the Spirit when..."

Proverbs 22:17; 23:19

B. The _____

1. ...a _____
2. ...of _____

¹ Commonly *gospel*.

² Literally *the Holy Spirit of promise*.

³ Literally *the*, the article standing for the pronoun.

3. ...which is _____

4. ...which conveys _____

1 Corinthians 15:1-2

Romans 1:16

Galatians 1:6-9

Galatians 1:11-12

C. What We Must Understand

III. To Become God's Genine Heir, You Must _____ (v. 13b)

A. Components of Saving Faith

1. _____ing

Romans 10:13-14b

1 Corinthians 15:1ff.

2. _____ing

John 8:24

John 20:31

Hebrews 11: 6

1 John

3. _____ing

Romans 4:4-5

Romans 5:1-2

Romans 5:10-11

B. The _____ection _____ection

IV. We Must Learn

A. ...About _____

B. ...About _____