

WHAT DOES IT SAY?

Ephesians 1:11-14

Structure: Mechanical Outline

v 11-12: In Him also we **have obtained an inheritance**,

- having been predestined according to His purpose
 - who works all things after the counsel of His will,
 - to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ
 - would be to the praise of His glory.

v 13-14: 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,

- 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.

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Key Words:

Counsel: the intelligent and deliberate calculation

Will: a desire that springs forth from emotion

Two Main Ideas:

1. We have obtained an inheritance.
2. We have been sealed with the Holy Spirit.

Assignments

1. In one sentence, write what the passage says is true about Jewish believers (verses 10-12) and Gentile believers (verses 13-14).

2. What does the Holy Spirit do after a person believes in Christ (verse 13), and why is this significant (verse 14)?

3. PRAYER: Ask God to help you grasp and understand why He sealed you with the Holy Spirit when you believed.

4. OPTIONAL: For deeper understanding, read pages 107-109 of the **Discover Your True Self** book or listen to the Day 9 audiobook excerpt.