

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Ice Breaker: What's one of your favorite local restaurants, along with your go-to menu item there? What is it about the restaurant that makes you want to return?

1. Over the past four weeks, we have learned a lot about the person and work of Holy Spirit. Many of these things have been big picture ideas, but this week we get really personal. How have you, or have you ever, thought about being sealed by the Holy Spirit?
2. Pastor Nate talked about the sealing of the Holy Spirit being a "proof of purchase." Read Romans 8:12-17. How has your spirit been assured of your position in Christ by Holy Spirit? How do you **KNOW** that you **know** what you know?
3. Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17. Now read Romans 8:31-34. How does the sealing and presence of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life provide security beyond a shadow of a doubt? What doubts or insecurities in your life need to be put to rest because of this truth?
4. Pastor Nate shared about Holy Spirit being a deposit, a down payment on something yet to be realized or experienced in full. Read 2 Corinthians 5:1-5. How does the fact that there are better things yet to come make you appreciate God's down payment of Holy Spirit?
5. Now, but not yet is the balance we walk as believers. We are eternal beings who have yet to receive our full inheritance though it is fully provided for. Read Ephesians 1:13-14. How should this passage help us have an eternal vs. earthly perspective about our lives?
6. How have you experienced the leading of the Holy Spirit in your life? Read Romans 8:14. How does this encourage you to know that you are indeed recipients of God's promise of eternal life?
7. Read Romans 8:35-39. Pastor Nate challenged us to celebrate in our relationship with Jesus through the Holy Spirit. How can you live a life of celebration while being open to the inevitable changes that will come? What is Holy Spirit prompting you to change, and how can we help you be obedient as well as joyful?

PERSONAL GUIDE

DAY ONE: Acts 21

DAY TWO: Acts 22

DAY THREE: Acts 23

DAY FOUR: Acts 24

DAY FIVE: Acts 25



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NEW DAY
NEW SEASON

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A DIFFERENT LIFE



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"SIGNED, SEALED, &
DELIVERED"
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“Signed, Sealed, & Delivered”
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MESSAGE NOTES

A different life requires a _____.

1. The _____ of the Holy Spirit

Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. (2 Corinthians 1:21-22, NIV)

And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit... (Ephesians 1:13, NIV)

A. Is _____ of purchase

B. Provides _____ (Romans 8:31-34, NLT)

In what way have you felt insecure lately? _____

2. The Holy Spirit is a _____

...who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory. (Ephesians 1:14, NIV)

Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. (2 Corinthians 5:5, NIV)

A. _____ in full down _____ (John 19:30, NLT)

B. A _____ and _____ of a promise

Because of the Holy Spirit our life can be different:

We can _____ we are _____ loved (Romans 8:35, 37-39, NLT)

_____! (Ephesians 1:14, NLT)

As we rest in His love and _____ His name, He changes us. As change comes, _____.

What is the Spirit prompting you to change? _____

Tell someone about the next step you took today in your spiritual journey. You can also use the connect card to let us know about your commitment, too!



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MESSAGE NOTES

A different life requires a different approach.

1) **The sealing of the Holy Spirit** (2 Corinthians 1:22-23; Ephesians 1:13)

- a. Is proof of purchase
- b. Provides security (Romans 8:31-34)
In what way have you felt insecure lately? _____

2) **The Holy Spirit is a Deposit** (Ephesians 1:14; 2 Corinthians 5:5)

- a. Paid in full down payment (John 19:30)
- b. A guarantee and evidence of a promise

Because of the Holy Spirit our life can be different:

We can know we are fully loved (Romans 8:35, 37-39)

Celebrate! (Ephesians 1:14 NLT)

As we rest in His love and praise His name, He changes us. As change comes, go with it.

What is the Spirit prompting you to change? _____

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