

**“YOU...WERE SEALED WITH THE PROMISED HOLY SPIRIT”**

EPHESIANS 1:13-14

*Scripture can sometimes be the enemy of security;*

**ROMANS 11:20-21**

... They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand fast through faith. So do not become proud, but fear. For if God did not spare the natural branches, neither will he spare you.

**1 CORINTHIANS 10:12**

Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.

**2 CORINTHIANS 13:5**

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!

**GALATIANS 6:9**

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

**PHILIPPIANS 2:12**

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling,

**COLOSSIANS 1:21-23**

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard...

**HEBREWS 12:14**

Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.

**1 PETER 1:17**

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile,

**REVELATION 2:10**

... Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.

*The emotional feeling of security is intended only for those who believe;*

**ROMANS 10:14**

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? ...

*“Sealed”;*

1. Locking up/closing in

**MATTHEW 27:66**

So they went and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone and setting a guard.

**REVELATION 20:3**

... 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...

2. Granting of a sign of authenticity/guaranteeing the genuine character of the bearer

**ROMANS 4:11**

[Abraham]received the sign of circumcision as a seal of the righteousness that he had by faith while he was still uncircumcised...

**1 CORINTHIANS 9:2**

If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you, for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

3. Protecting the bearer from harm

**REVELATION 7:3**

"Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads."

4. A mark of ownership

**SONG OF SOLOMON 8:6**

Set me as a seal upon your heart, as a seal upon your arm...

*“Guarantee”;*

**2 CORINTHIANS 1:22**

...and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.