

**Ephesians 1:13–14 CSB**

<sup>13</sup> In him you also were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and when you believed. <sup>14</sup> The Holy Spirit is the down payment of our inheritance, until the redemption of the possession, to the praise of his glory.

**Romans 8:12–17 CSB**

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, we are not obligated to the flesh to live according to the flesh, <sup>13</sup> because if you live according to the flesh, you are going to die. But if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all those led by God's Spirit are God's sons. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear. Instead, you received the Spirit of adoption, by whom we cry out, "*Abba, Father!*" <sup>16</sup> The Spirit himself testifies together with our spirit that we are God's children, <sup>17</sup> and if children, also heirs—heirs of God and coheirs with Christ—if indeed we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

What are some biblical cross-references to the work of the Holy Spirit?

**Joel 2:28–29 CSB**

<sup>28</sup> After this I will pour out my Spirit on all humanity; then your sons and your daughters will prophesy, your old men will have dreams, and your young men will see visions. <sup>29</sup> I will even pour out my Spirit on the male and female slaves in those days.

What does it mean that we are "sealed" with the Holy Spirit?

What are some biblical cross-references to the "word of truth?"

In what ways do we see the Holy Spirit as a down payment?

**2 Corinthians 1:21–22 CSB**

<sup>21</sup> Now it is God who strengthens us together with you in Christ, and who has anointed us. <sup>22</sup> He has also put his seal on us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a down payment.