

Bible Study, Symbols Of The Holy Spirit, Week 8 (Deposit)

Day: 1

Read 2 Corinthians 5: 1-21 (Text verse 5)

1. God gives us the Holy Spirit as guarantee. The word used is “Arrabon” and it means the first installment, a small piece of something that is given as a promise, a permanent possession in the future.
2. The Holy Spirit is God’s promise and guarantee that He will keep His promise
3. The Holy Spirit guarantees that we will receive the fullness of what Jesus did for us
4. What we enjoy of Christ and the Holy Spirit now, is only a little “taste” of what is coming.
5. Read Genesis 38: 6-26.
6. Why is a guarantee better than a promise? (The story of Judah and Tamar)
7. How did Tamar escape punishment?
8. How can we apply it to our situation today?

Day: 2

Read Ephesians 1: 1-23 (Text verse 13-14)

1. Some more thoughts about the Holy Spirit as a guarantee and a “deposit” with the balance is coming later
2. What has to happen first, according to verse 13, before we can receive the seal of the Holy Spirit as the promise of what is to come?
3. This is the “deposit” or promise of our inheritance.
4. Do you think many are let astray because they do not have these extraordinary “experiences” and special “gifts?”
5. Do not be misled, if you have accepted Jesus as your savior you HAVE the Holy Spirit, look at all the little things in your life that prove this to you.
6. You have the seal as guarantee and promise of what is to come!
7. Read Romans 8: 8-17 and Galatians 4: 1-7
8. What is the Holy Spirit the evidence of?
9. What has God made all of us?

Day: 3 His Property

2 Corinthians 1: 12-23 (Text verse 22)

1. Once again we are reminded that we are God’s “property” and that the Holy Spirit was sent as a promise or a pledge that we will receive what God has promised us through Jesus Christ.
2. The Holy Spirit is the first “installment” as the inheritance we will receive.
3. The Holy Spirit is the guarantee whereby God is committing Himself to giving all that He has promised us.
4. What is our inheritance? Read Romans 8: 17 and Hebrews 1: 2

5. According to 1 Peter 1: 3-5 our guarantee lies in us being reborn through Jesus, it is the basis of our inheritance, without it we have nothing.
6. We have been reborn into the family of God with the family rights to an inheritance in the Kingdom. What a wonderful idea! Through Jesus we own it all.
7. Read Colossians 1: 9-14 and 1 Peter 1: 1-4
8. What is it that God qualified us for?
9. What is the Holy Spirit saying, through Peter, about our inheritance?

Day: 4

Read 1 Corinthians 15: 35-49 (Text verse 49)

1. The Holy Spirit is the promise and installment of our inheritance and the Holy Spirit in us is God's pledge that we will share everything in His Kingdom.
2. The Holy Spirit is also the pledge that with the second coming we will be like Jesus, physically.
3. Read Romans 8: 29. What does this verse say about the statement above?
4. God the Father thinks so much of His Son Jesus that He wants us all to be like Him.
5. Read 1 John 4: 17 and say what it says about our position at the moment here on earth.
6. Read Philippians 3: 21. What does it say about the bodies we will have after we have been resurrected?
7. So, what does the Holy Spirit do for us here on earth already to shape us for what is to come?
8. Is this always a pleasant experience?
9. Read 2 Corinthians 3: 1-18 and Acts 11: 25-26.
10. What does the name the disciples received say to you?
11. With what is the Holy Spirit busy, all the time?

Day: 5

Read John 17: 11-24 (Text verse 12)

1. In Jesus God gave us everything we need to stand in a relationship with Him in our daily lives.
2. The Holy Spirit is our guarantee of what we are going to experience in eternity with Him.
3. Before His crucifixion Jesus prayed for us, so that we must be protected from evil in this world and we should show the world what love is.
4. Read Philippians 1: 6. What does it tell us about the work of God?
5. Read Hebrews 6: 4-8 and Hebrew 10: 26-31
6. Why did Judas Iscariot (John 17: 12) "got away" become unsaved again, and not Peter?
7. And why not you?
8. Do you think you have ever sinned against the Holy Spirit?
9. What do you personally think it means to "sin against The Holy Spirit?"

Day: 6

Read 1 Corinthians 2: 1-16 (Text verse 9)

1. Recap what the Holy Spirit is to those that love Him.
2. Read John 10: 10. Do you think that even though we have an abundant life here we can look forward to an even more abundant life here after?
3. Do you agree that no matter how many blessings we may receive on earth that it is only a little taste of what we can expect?
4. What is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives when we experience opposition, when we are criticized, when we have sadness and death and all the hardships of life?
5. The Holy Spirit is the “deposit” of the heavenly feast that is on its way.
6. How do you think we are going to experience heaven? Read verse 9 once again.
7. Read Revelations 21: 1-7 and 22: 1-6

Day: 7 Looking Forward

Read 1 Corinthians 15: 35-58 (Text verse 53)

There are seven explanations of how the change in us will take place, fill in below:

1. Corruptible (The Message says perishable) replaced with?
2. Dishonor replaced with?
3. Weakness replaced with?
4. The natural body replaced with?
5. The earthy replaced with?
6. Immortal replaced with?
7. Our earthly body will replaced with something our mind cannot understand here on earth.

Read Revelations 5: 11-14, 19: 4-9 and 21: 22-27

- What are you looking forward to the most in heaven?
- Why do you think there is no temple?

Conclusion Of This Series:

Read Luke 11: 1-13

What will the Father give to those who ask?

Now use this occasion to ask the Holy Spirit for yourself, what do you need from Him?

1. Do you need the Holy Spirit beautiful and soft as a dove?
2. The guidance to be anointed with the oil of the Holy Spirit to fulfill your calling and serve as you have been called to do?
3. To live effective and satisfied to serve as the symbol of the water shows us?
4. The ‘breath’ of the Holy Spirit as your support each moment of each day?
5. To experience the power of the wind?
6. To experience the cleansing of the fire in your life?
7. The rain poured out in overflowing quantities in your life?
8. I think we all need the “deposit” or “guarantee” that what we have received here on earth is only a little taste of what we can expect one day.

Remember, you can only receive everything from the Holy Spirit if you give every thing of yourself.