

## INHERITANCE



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# SERMON-BASED STUDY

For the week of September 30, 2018

## QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

## MY STORY

This weekend we were reminded that God's blessings in Christ include an inheritance. What kind of inheritance is Paul speaking of in this passage?

How do you show gratitude towards God for this blessing?

What does this passage reveal about God's purpose for bestowing this inheritance upon us?

Knowing that you are God's possession, blessed with an inheritance that is far greater than any earthly inheritance, how should you respond?

## DIGGING DEEPER

1 Looking at the passages below, what is God's ultimate purpose in his inheritance?

**Deut 4:20, ESV** – <sup>20</sup> But the LORD has taken you and brought you out of the iron furnace, out of Egypt, to be a people of his own inheritance, as you are this day.

**Is 43:21, ESV** – <sup>21</sup> the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.

**1 Peter 2:9, ESV** – <sup>9</sup> But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

What are some practical ways that believers of Christ can, and should “declare his praise” and “proclaim his excellencies”?

2 When reading verses about being sealed in the Spirit, we see that we are sealed for God's purposes. What insight do the following verses give regarding those purposes?

**Ez 36:26-27, ESV** – <sup>26</sup> And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. <sup>27</sup> And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

**2 Cor 5:1-5, ESV** – <sup>1</sup> For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. <sup>2</sup> For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling, <sup>3</sup> if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked. <sup>4</sup> For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being

burdened—not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. <sup>5</sup> He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

In what specific ways can you live out this understanding of the Holy Spirit indwelling believers?

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This Weekend, we learned that inheritance is another blessing from God. Based on the passage below, what part does the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit play in bestowing these blessings upon people?

**2 Cor 1:21-22, ESV** – <sup>21</sup> And it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has anointed us, <sup>22</sup> and who has also put his seal on us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

Based on the passage below, what is the expectation and responsibility for believers?

**Rom 10:14-17, ESV** – <sup>14</sup> 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? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? <sup>15</sup> And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” <sup>16</sup> But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” <sup>17</sup> So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

God has chosen us to be his possession who live by His will and for His glory. Part of that is to declare (share) His works with other people. How do you share His works with other people that you know?

## TAKING IT HOME

As you think through the sermon and this week’s study, is there anything you’d like to focus on or change in the coming week?

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## PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUEST

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## FOR FURTHER STUDY

Acts 20:32

Rom 1:16

Rom 8:15-16

Gal 4:6

Eph 4:30

Col 1:3-8

Titus 2:14

Titus 3:4-9