Sealed with the Holy Ghost

John 6:27—*Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father* ***sealed****.*

2Tim. 2:6*—The husbandman that laboureth must be first* ***partaker of the fruits****.*

sphragizo, sfrag-id'-zo

to stamp (with a signet or private mark) for security or preservation, keep secret, to attest, seal up, stop.

2Tim. 2:19—*Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this* ***seal****, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.*

*sphragis, sfrag-ece'*

*a signet (as fencing in or protecting from misappropriation); by implication, the stamp impressed (as a mark of privacy, or genuineness)*

John 3:33*—He that hath received his testimony hath set to his* ***seal*** *that God is true.*

*God is True.*

*God is not weak.*

*God never loses.*

Romans 3:4*—God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.*

1. *Hunger for more of God.*

*Mt 5:6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. “filled—An Abundance, plentiful supply, like a Garden*

1. *Thirst for a move of God.*
   1. *Full Salvaton*

*“but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you”*

1. *Labor for a harvest*

*ergazomai er-gad'-zom-ahee*

*to toil (as a task, occupation, etc.), effect, be engaged in or with, commit, do, labor for, minister about, trade (by), work.*

Romans 8:23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the **firstfruits** of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

apolutrosis, ap-ol-oo'-tro-sis

ransom in full, Full Salvation:--deliverance, redemption. riddance

* A Complete state of Release

Ro 11:16 For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

Acts 20:32 And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.

Acts 20:17 ¶ And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the elders of the church.

Acts 19:6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

7 And all the men were about twelve.

2Cor. 5:5*—Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the* ***earnest*** *of the Spirit.*

John 15:26*—But* ***when the Comforter is come****, whom I will send unto you* ***from the Father****, even the* ***Spirit of truth****, which proceedeth from the Father,* ***he shall*** *testify of* ***me:***

Acts 2:1*—And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.*

2*—And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.*

3*—And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.*

4*—And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

1. Divinity is in You Not just a force but His Power, life and Holiness; The Holy Ghost; He not it.

Col 1:27*—To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is* ***Christ in you****, the hope of glory:*

John 14:17*—Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and* ***shall be in you****.*

Romans 8:11*—But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies* ***by his Spirit that dwelleth in you****.*

John 16:15*—All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.*

2Tim. 2:6*—The husbandman that laboureth must be first* ***partaker of the fruits****.*

Mat. 21:28 *But what think ye? A certain man had two sons; and he came to the first, and said, Son, go work to day in my vineyard.*

*29 He answered and said, I will not: but afterward he repented, and went.*

*30 And he came to the second, and said likewise. And he answered and said, I go, sir: and went not.*

*31 Whether of them twain did the will of his father? They say unto him, The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That the publicans and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you.*

John5:17*—But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work.*

1Peter 4:13*—But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.*

1Peter 5:1*—The elders which are among you I exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:*

2Tim. 1:8*—Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;*

2Cor. 1:7*—And our hope of you is stedfast, knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ye be also of the consolation.*

2Peter 1:4*—Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be* ***partakers of the divine nature****, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.*

Eph 3:6*—That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:*

Col 1:12*—Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light*

Heb 3:1*—Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;*

Heb 3:14*—For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;*

Heb 6:4*—For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were* ***made partakers of the Holy Ghost****,*

*Heb 12:10 For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure;* ***but he*** *for our profit,* ***that we might be partakers of his holiness.***

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*What doth hinder me?*

*Why am I not carrying on? Pressing on?*

*Why do I have a lack of interest in the things of God?*

*Why is it that the truth is not known? believed? received? Acted upon?*

*Why am I not staying full?*

*Why am I not hungry for God, for revival, for perfection, for Overcoming, for Translation.*

* *Second coming—Adoption—Sanctification—Perfection— Worship*
* *Full Redemption*

*The sin of the world is to reject Salvation through Jesus Christ.*

*The sin of the Church is to neglect the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, the operation of God through faith*

*Col 2:12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.*

*John 6:28—Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?*

*29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.*

*35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.*

*45 It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.*

*66 From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.*

*Acts10:34—Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:*

*35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.*

*38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.*

*Ac 10:44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.*

*45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.*

*46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter,*

*47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?*

*48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.*

*Ac 6:7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were* ***obedient to the faith****.*

*The first thing we need to do is supply food for the hungry, water for thirsty*

*Need to have good seed, right seed*

*Joh 21:15 So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.*

*16 He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.*

*17 He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.*

*Ac 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.*

*1Pe 5:2 Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;*

*Zec 11:4 ¶ Thus saith the LORD my God; Feed the flock of the slaughter;*

1. *Plowing*

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## **A Warning of Judgment**

Zech. 11:1-6

Hitherto the prophet has been bearing good tidings to Zion, tidings of deliverance from their oppressors and restoration to their former blessings.

However in the midst of this, the prophet warns of their rebellion and apostasy from the Lord, their Shepherd and King.

I. Against Their Temple - vs. 1 "Open thy doors, O Lebanon."

"Lebanon" - symbolic of the kingdom of Judah.

1. The temple made of "fir" and "cedar"

I Kings 5:8-10

2. The fire can destroy - "The fire may devour thy cedars"

3. The destruction by the Romans - Temple burned - Not one stone

left on another. Matt. 24:1-2

Zec 11:2 Howl, fir tree; for the cedar is fallen; because the **mighty** are **spoiled**: howl, O ye oaks of Bashan; for the forest of the vintage is come down

II. Against Their Shepherds - vs. 2,3 Their leaders, both princes / priests.

1. "The Cedar is fallen" Bad men in high office - vs. 3

"There is a voice of howling of the shepherds"

There is great distress - "Howl" of despair.

2. "Their **glory is spoiled**"

Liken to young lions –

Zec 11:3 There is a voice of the howling of the shepherds; for their **glory is spoiled**: a voice of the roaring of young lions; for the **pride** of Jordan is **spoiled**.

(1) Ambitious in character

(2) Abusive in power

Eze. 34:1-3,10 II Peter 2:1-3

Eze 34:8 As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely because my flock became a prey, and my flock became meat to every beast of the field, because there was no shepherd, neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves, and fed not my flock;

A good shepherd will feed the flock.

An evil shepherd will neglect the flock.

3. "The pride of Jordan is spoiled."

The thickets that clothed the banks of Jordan are called its "pride"

God was Israel's protection but because of sin that would be taken away. Their pride is spoiled.

III. Against The People - vs. 6

1. "The flock of slaughter" vs. 4,5

"Whose possessors slay them"(5)

"Hold themselves not guilty"(5)

Are so blinded by self-interest.

2. The people are willingly deceived - vs. 6

(1) "I will no more pity"

(2) "I will deliver" to judgment

(3) "I will not deliver them"

*Zec 11:7 And I will feed the flock of slaughter, even you, O poor of the flock. And I took unto me two staves; the one I called Beauty, and the other I called Bands; and I fed the flock.*

*Mt 11:5 The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.*

*Lu 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,*

*John 3:33 He that hath received his testimony hath set to his seal that God is true.*

*34 For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.*

*Ho 4:6 ¶ My people are* ***destroyed*** *for lack of knowledge: because thou hast* ***rejected knowledge****, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.*

*2Pe 3:5 For this* ***they willingly are ignorant*** *of, that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:*

*Mt 9:37 Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few;*

*38 Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.*

*1Co 3:6 I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase.*

*Jer 4:3 ¶ For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns.*

*Ho 10:12 Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.*