

# Prayer?

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## Sermon Notes.

**Speaker:** Buster Brown, Senior Pastor  
**Message:** The Sealing of the Holy Spirit: Certainty, Ownership, Security  
**Text:** Ephesians 1:13-14

*"<sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you HEARD the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and BELIEVED in him, were SEALED with the Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory." Ephesians 1:13-14*

Being sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise is instantaneous, happens simultaneously with our conversion, is universally given to all believers, is unrepeatable, and is permanent. It is synonymous with the baptism in/by the Holy Spirit.

*"For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit." 1 Corinthians 12:13*

### THE RESULTS OF THE GIVING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND BEING SEALED IN HIM:

#### 1. Certainty

*"The enjoyment of God is the only happiness with which our souls can be satisfied. To go to heaven, fully to enjoy God, is infinitely better than the most pleasant accommodations here. Fathers and mothers, husbands, wives, or children, or the company of earthly friends, are but shadows; but God is the substance. These are but scattered beams, but God is the sun. These are but streams, but God is the fountain. These are but drops; but God is the ocean." Jonathan Edwards, "The Christian Pilgrim." The Works of Jonathan Edwards, Volume 2*

*"But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God." Galatians 4:4-7*

*"When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you." John 16:13-14*

#### 2. Ownership (Zechariah 3:1-5, John 10:27-30)

*"I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand." John 10:28-29*

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### 3. Security (Romans 8:31-39)

*"On the last day of the feast, the great day, Jesus stood up and cried out, 'If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, "Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified." John 7:37-39*

*"If at any time you fall into doubts about the state of your soul, dark and dull frames of mind, it is proper to review your past experience. But do not consume too much time and strength in this way ... one new discovery of the glory of Christ's face will do more towards scattering clouds of darkness in one minute, than examining old experiences for a whole year." Jonathan Edwards, A Sweet Flame: Piety in the Letters of Jonathan Edwards, p. 45*

### APPLICATIONS:

1. Because the believer is secure in Christ, owned by the triune God, sealed by the Holy Spirit, and can cry out, "Abba Father," we have the privilege of living with joy, gladness, and passion.
2. The good news is truly, very good news (Hebrews 12:22).
3. The certainty and security of the believer does not lead to complacency, but it causes us to ponder, push, and serve as we seek to advance the kingdom.

*"True believers may in various ways have the assurance of their salvation shaken, decreased, or temporarily lost. This may happen because they neglect to preserve it or fall into some specific sin that wounds their conscience and grieves the Spirit. It may happen through some unexpected or forceful temptation or when God withdraws the light of his face and allows even those who fear him to walk in darkness and to have no light. Yet they are never completely lacking the seed of God, the life of faith, love of Christ and the brethren, sincerity of heart, or conscience concerning their duty. Out of these graces, through the work of the Spirit, this assurance may at the proper time be revived. In the meantime, they are kept from utter despair through them." The 1698 Baptist Confession of Faith, Chapter 18 Section 4*

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# Welcome.

We're glad you are here to worship with us. If you are new to East Cooper Baptist, we would love to meet you. Please stop anyone with a name-tag and let us answer any questions you may have. Thanks for being our guest.

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**Traditional Worship and Classes**  
Sanctuary 9:30am & 11:00am  
**Contemporary Worship and Classes**  
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## Get to Know.

**Joe Weston**



### OPERATIONS DIRECTOR ON STAFF

Joe is from Mooresville, NC. He surrendered his life to Jesus at the age of 7 after understanding that there was nothing he could do to get to heaven; only through Jesus could salvation be found. He joined the ECBC staff in 2024. Joe is married to Marissa and they have two children, Malaya and Josiah. In his free time, he enjoys playing basketball.

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## Upcoming.

### PRAGUE

Anne will be serving for one year with CRU engaging high school and college students through ESL and other activities in order to build relationships and proclaim the gospel.

#### PLEASE PRAY:

- For the Lord to open the eyes of those she interacts with to see His goodness.
- For the Lord to use her ministry partner development to open doors for gospel conversations.
- For the Lord to give her ruthless trust through it all.

### MOROCCO

Steve will be working alongside our partners, Johnny and Ali, to host a medical clinic for the locals as an opportunity to proclaim the gospel to them.

#### PLEASE PRAY:

- That the dental/medical clinic would be warmly received by the Muslim community.
- That the gospel would be made visible to the patients and the community.
- That our partners would be greatly encouraged.

### CHURCH BUDGET LISTENING SESSIONS

If you have questions about the new church budget, we will be holding Listening Sessions:

- TODAY at 9:30 & 11:00am in room B214
- June 2 at 10:45am & 12:15pm in room B216

PLAN TO ATTEND.

### 2024-2025 CHURCH BUDGET

### SERVE ON THE WELCOME TEAM

We need volunteers who can serve in our parking lot, as door greeters, make coffee, or help people find their way at our Welcome Desk.

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