**Gifts of Love:**

**Three Different Areas of The Holy Spirit in Our Lives**

These three areas of The Holy Spirit are only possible in our lives with one, the **blessings** of the Father above, and two, with a **personal commitment** in faith to believe in the actions on The Cross and the resurrection of Jesus Christ three days later.

**Seal(s)**

**We** are sealed by God and His Son, Jesus Christ. *(But get them to put I am for this to make it personal)*

**2 Corinthians 1:22a (CSB)**, "He has also put His seal on us ......"

The seal of Jesus represents ownership and **authenticity**

[**Ephesians 1:13**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.70.1.13) **(CSB)**, "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.

The seal of The Holy Spirit represents **proof of genuineness**, responsibility, and security

**First Fruit(s)**

[**Romans 8:23a**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.66.8.23.a) **(CSB)**," ...but we ourselves who have the Spirit as the firstfruits..."

[**Deuteronomy 14:22**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.5.14.22) **(CSB)**, “Each year you are to set aside a tenth of all the produce grown in your fields”

[**Proverbs 3:9-10**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.20.3.9-20.3.10) **(CSB)**, “Honor the Lord with your possessions and with the first produce of your entire harvest.”

First Fruits are the first and the finest of the **harvest.**

We have the Blood filled Cross to show us the actions of **Jesus,** and now we have The Holy Spirit to show us **our** actions.

[**1 Corinthians 15:20**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.67.15.20)**, 22-23 (CSB)**, “But as it is, Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep....For just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ, the firstfruits; afterwards, at his coming, those who belong to Christ.”

[**Ephesians 4:30**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.70.4.30) **(CSB)**, "And don't grieve God's Holy Spirit. You were sealed by him for the day of redemption."

[**Ephesians 1:14**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.70.1.14) **(CSB),** "The Holy Spirit is the down payment of our inheritance, until the redemption of the possession, to the praise of his glory"

**Down Payment(s)**

[**2 Corinthians 1:22**](https://ref.ly/logosref/bible.68.1.22) **(CSB),** "He has also put His seal on us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a down payment."

In our first step of faith we were **adopted by a loving Father!**

This gift of love, The Holy Spirit, is a **seal**, a **first fruit**, a **down payment** that is a proof of genuineness and a guarantee of the commitment that God has for us.

**Ephesians 1:17-19 (CSB)** (*what a Great Prayer to put over people*),

"I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, would give you the Spirit, of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened so that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what is the wealth of His glorious inheritance in the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power towards us who believe, according to the mighty working of his strength."