

LG | Guide

[Ephesians 1:13-14]

WARM-UP (10 mins)

It is likely that everyone present had a very busy day, maybe even a trying day. Let's take a moment to still our minds and go to the Lord in prayer.

- In your personal devotion with the Lord, what has the Lord revealed to you through His word? If not, what is keeping you from the Lord?
- When you reflect back on Sunday's sermon, what impacted you the most? Anything that stirred your affection towards the Lord?

ILLUMINATE (40 mins)

Open your Bibles to the primary text.

1. Read the opening 14 verses of Ephesians. What common themes are present in this first section?
Share what you see in your own words.
2. Verse 11 displays God's sovereignty in our lives. Verse 13 displays our human responsibility in salvation. What evidence of this do you see in this text?
3. Verse 13 talks about a promised Holy Spirit. When did these promises take place and where in the Bible are these promises fulfilled? Someone take us on a Bible tour OR let's use our brains and find them together.
4. What comes to mind when you think about something that has a seal? Verse 13 describes the Holy Spirit's seal on our lives when we believe in Jesus. What do you think that means?
5. Paul ends this these verses with, "to the praise of his glory." He has used this phrase multiple times already. Why do you think he is repeating this phrase?
6. As you read this last verse, how do you feel about the foundation of your salvation? Do you feel weaker or stronger about it?
7. As we conclude this block of text (v. 3-13), there are three monumental things that God has accomplished for us, what are they?

PRAY (10 mins)

Use this time to pray specifically. Pray for the needs of others; locally and abroad.