

- I. God has given us knowledge of his will
  - A. God wants us to know his will
  - B. God’s will is centered on Jesus

“Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12)

- C. God’s will is for us to know Jesus
  - D. God’s will is for all things to be united in Christ
- II. God has given us an inheritance in his will
  - A. We were chosen to receive an inheritance

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade – kept in heaven for you.” (I Peter 1:3-4)

- B. We were chosen to hope in Christ
  - C. We were chosen to bring glory to God
- III. God has given us the gospel of salvation
  - A. We have heard the word of truth

“I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father, except through me.” (John 14:6)

- B. We have heard the good news is Jesus
  - C. We receive salvation in Jesus by faith
  - D. We live in a relationship with Christ
- IV. God has given us the Holy Spirit as a seal
  - A. The seal is a mark of ownership

“Do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price.” (I Corinthians 6:19-20)

- B. The seal is a mark of identification
  - C. The seal is a mark of authority

D. The seal is a mark of protection

“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.” (Isaiah 43:10)

E. The seal is a mark of authenticity

“And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.” (Romans 8:9)

F. The seal is a mark of similarity

“And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord’s glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.” (2 Corinthians 3:18)

G. The seal is a guarantee for our inheritance

“I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints.” (Ephesians 1:18)