

THE SEAL;

OR,

THE INWARD SPIRITUAL GRACE OF CONFIRMATION.

ST. PAUL says to the Ephesians, 'And grieve not the Holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of Redemption.' (*Chap.* iv. 30.)

This makes us think what St. Paul can mean, and leads us to look into other parts of Holy Scripture for explanation.

We will turn back to a very early part of the Bible. When the holy prophet Ezekiel was living on the banks of the river Chebar, in Babylonia, whither he had been taken with his king, Jehoiachin, and others of the princes and Levites, God shewed him many visions of his dear home at Jerusalem, and of those his brethren who yet remained there; that he might warn them to provoke God no further, but to