

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 15, 2020

DIVINE POWER A STUDY OF 2 PETER

But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, ⁶ to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, ⁷ to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. ⁸ For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.¹⁰ Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; ¹¹ for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **~ 2 Peter 1:5-11**

EVERYTHING YOU NEED "Part 3"



PETER INSTRUCTS US TO ADD TO OUR SAVING FAITH SEVEN SPIRITUAL QUALITIES.

5. GODLINESS

Godliness means "piety," "reverence," or "likeness to God," It describes true holiness, spirituality, and virtue.

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. ~ **Revelation 3:20**

Godliness comes from a Spirit-soaked, Spirit-filled and Spirit directed life.

But reject profane and old wives' fables, and <u>exercise yourself toward godliness</u>.⁸ For bodily exercise profits a little, <u>but godliness is profitable for all things</u>, having promise of the life that now is and of that which is to come.

~ 1 Timothy 4:7-8

6. BROTHERLY KINDNESS

"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted." ~ Ephesians 4:32a

"Fred Rogers never – ever - let the urgency of work or life impede his focus on what he saw as basic human values: integrity, respect, responsibility, fairness, compassion, and kindness."

~ Maxwell King ~

<u>7. LOVE</u>

Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the **<u>greatest of these is love.</u>** ~ 1 Corinthians 13:13

Memory Verses

"A new commandment I give too you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." ~ John 13:34-35

Peter ends this thought saying...

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SIX BLESSINGS YOU WILL RECEIVE IF YOU DILIGENTLY ADD THESE 7 QUALITIES TO YOUR LIFE.

1. GODLY MATURITY

2. GROWING PRODUCTIVITY

The more you grow like this, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ~ 2 Peter 1:8 (NLT)

3. GREATER CLARITY

"For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness." ~ 2 peter 1:9

4. GENUINE STABILITY

So, dear brothers and sisters, **work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen.** Do these things, and you will never fall away.

~ 2 Peter 1:10 (NLT)

5. GUARANTEED SECURITY

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6. GLORIOUS ETERNITY

So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away. ¹¹ Then God <u>will</u> <u>give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom</u> of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ~ 2 Peter 1:10-11 (NLT)

Next Steps:

- Memorize John 13:34-35
- Become a follower of Jesus
- Share your story with someone this week
- Invite a friend to service next week