

Second Peter: Courageous Living in Chaotic Days
The Fight Regarding the Walk – Part 2
2 Peter 1:8-11

Let's begin this morning with revisiting our outline of 2nd Peter...

Courageous Living in Chaotic Days
 A Journey through Second Peter

The Walk	The Word	The War	The Wait
2 Peter 1:3-11	2 Peter 1:12-21	2 Peter 2:1-22	2 Peter 3:1-16

We are beginning the first section that I've titled, "The Walk"

What does it mean to "walk with God"?

What does it look like?

What should we be knowing and doing?

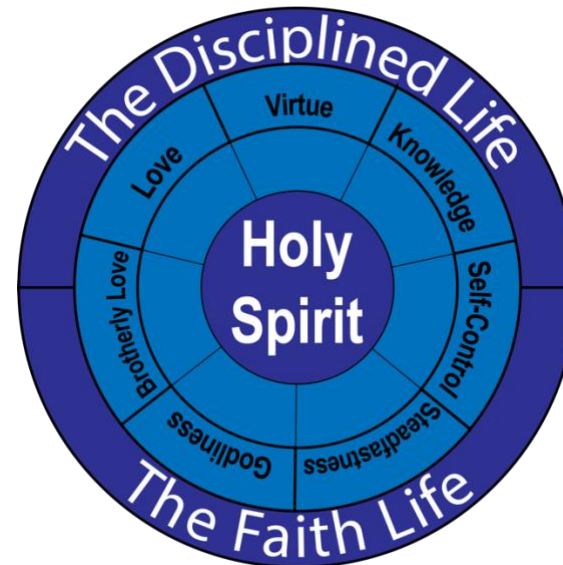
Peter begins this section by laying out some clear FACTS

ONE THING

As you **PARTICIPATE** with the **INDWELLING** Holy Spirit, He **PRODUCES** the divine nature of God **IN** you and **THROUGH** you!

2 Peter 1:8–11 (ESV) — For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. 10 Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. 11 For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

→ **Pic 1 – The Disciplines**



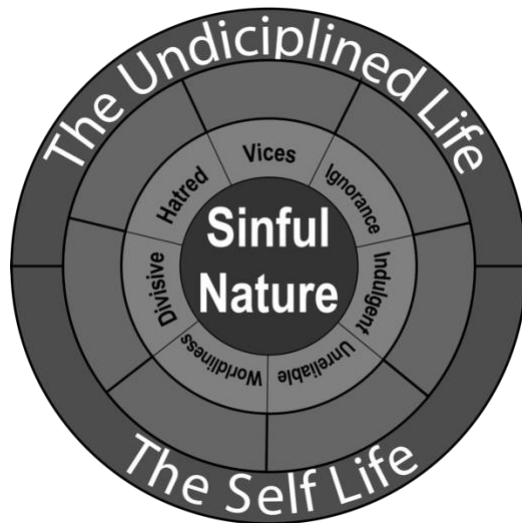
Romans 7:18 (NLT) — And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can't.

John 6:63 (NLT) — The Spirit alone gives eternal life. Human effort accomplishes nothing. And the very words I have spoken to you are spirit and life.

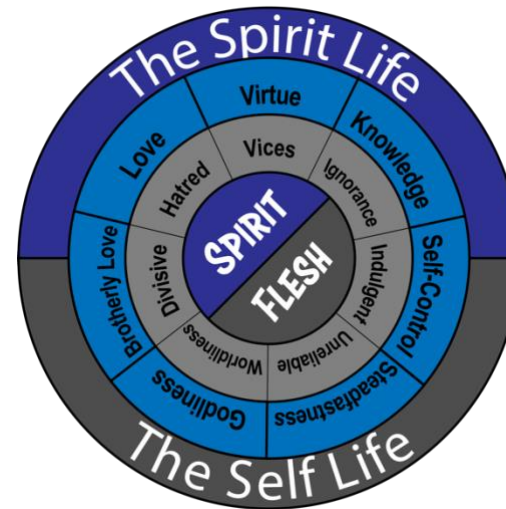
John 15:5b (NLT) — ... For apart from me you can do nothing.

The fallacy that has invaded our Christian faith is the belief that I can still do some good things apart from Jesus...

→ **Pic 2 – The Self Life**



→ **Pic 3 – The Battle**



1. The *IMPORTANT* of *DEVELOPING* these Qualities

2 Peter 1:8 (ESV) — For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 16:12–13 (ESV) — 12 “I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.

As you participate with the indwelling Holy Spirit, He produces the divine nature of God in you and through you!

2. The IMPAIRMENT when NEGLECTING these Qualities

2 Peter 1:9 (ESV) — For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.

Hebrews 5:11–14 (ESV) — 11 About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. 12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, 13 for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. 14 But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.

3. The IMPERATIVE of PRACTICING these Qualities

2 Peter 1:10 (ESV) — Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.

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As you _____ with the _____ Holy
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and _____ you!

**1. The _____ of _____ these
Qualities**

**2. The _____ when _____ these
Qualities**

**3. The _____ of _____ these
Qualities**