

2 Peter 1:5-21

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“grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord  
and Savior Jesus Christ” – 2 Peter 3:18

# 2 Peter 1:5-11 – Christian graces and making your call sure

- Question #1

- What are we to “give all diligence” to? Why? (2 Peter 1:5-9)

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## 2 Peter 1:5-11 – Christian graces and making your call sure

- V.5-7 – We are to “give all diligence to add” to our faith
  - “But also for this very reason”
    - The knowledge of God has been given to us though His revealed word
    - We recognize there are “exceedingly great and precious promises”
    - We can “be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption *that* is in the world”

## 2 Peter 1:5-11 – Christian graces and making your call sure

- V.5-7 – We are to “give all diligence to add” to our faith
  - This is an encouragement to grow one’s faith and knowledge in the Lord Jesus Christ
    - Faith comes from the word of God (Romans 10:17), these being added are found in the word of God

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- V.5-7 – We are to “give all diligence to add” to our faith
  - Add to your faith...
    - Virtue
    - Knowledge
    - Self-control
    - Perseverance
    - Godliness
    - Brotherly kindness
    - Love

## 2 Peter 1:5-11 – Christian graces and making your call sure

- V.8-11 – Growing our faith is vital to making our call and election sure
  - V.8 – By adding these things one will come to the knowledge that is in Jesus Christ
    - “*you* will neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ”
      - Matthew 13:22 – We must have the right heart to be fruitful in the knowledge of Jesus Christ

## 2 Peter 1:5-11 – Christian graces and making your call sure

- V.8-11 – Growing our faith is vital to making our call and election sure
  - V.9 – If we do not work to add these things we are “shortsighted... and forget that we were cleansed from our sins”
    - 2 Timothy 3:16-17 – We forget that all scripture completes man
    - Romans 6 – When we were baptized, we were raised as a new creature, no longer in bondage to sin, to serve a new master

## 2 Peter 1:5-11 – Christian graces and making your call sure

- V.8-11 – Growing our faith is vital to making our call and election sure
  - V.10-11 – By giving diligence to growing your faith your entrance into heaven can be sure
    - We can have assurance and confidence of our salvation
    - We can also lose our salvation
      - Hebrews 6:4-12 – One can fall away but one can also have “full assurance of hope”



# 2 Peter 1:12-15 – Peter's desire to remind them of these things

- Question #2

- What was Peter reminding them of? Why was he so determined to remind them? (2 Peter 1:12-15)

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## 2 Peter 1:12-15 – Peter’s desire to remind them of these things

- V.12 – “remind you always of these things”
- V.13 – “stir you up by reminding *you*”
- V.15 – “ensure that you always have a reminder”
  - The reminder is of the truth
    - Even though one currently knows the truth it is essential to be reminded of it and to grow in it
      - 2 Timothy 4:1-4 – When one stops growing in the truth it opens the door to be persuaded by error

2 Peter 1:16-21 – Being a witness of Jesus and the confirmation of the prophetic word

- Question #3

- What was made known to those Peter is writing to? (2 Peter 1:16)

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## 2 Peter 1:16-21 – Being a witness of Jesus and the confirmation of the prophetic word

- V.16-18 – Witness of Jesus and His majesty
  - V.16 – When Peter taught about Jesus it was not a matter of following a fable (made up story), rather he was a witness to the power of Jesus
  - V.17-18 – Peter witnessed the majesty and glory on the mount of transfiguration
    - Matthew 17:1-7 – The events on the mount pointed toward Jesus having all authority

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- Question #4

- What would these “do well” to do? Why? (2 Peter 1:19)

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- Question #5

- Where did prophecy come from? What does this say about scripture? (2 Peter 1:20-21)

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## 2 Peter 1:16-21 – Being a witness of Jesus and the confirmation of the prophetic word

- V.19-21 – The prophetic word, its origins and its benefits
  - V.19 – The prophetic word is confirmed and has benefit
    - God's word proves itself to be true
    - Psalm 119:105 – The word is a lamp unto our feet and light unto our path
  - V.20-21 – These are words from God, not man
    - We would do good to heed them and grow in them
    - They differ from those of false prophets/teachers