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**“His divine power has given us everything
we need for life and godliness”**

2 Peter 1

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Through these he has given us

his very great and precious promises,

so that through them you may participate in the divine nature,

having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

How many promises from God can you think of?

Cast all your anxiety on God because he cares for you.
1 Peter 5 v 7

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10 v 9

His very great and precious promises

- He will go with you, sustain you, and strengthen you. (Psalm 89:21, 22)
- You are His beloved, He believes in you. (Rom. 1:7)
- He will be your confidence. (Prov. 3:21, 26)
- He has set you apart from the world. (Psalm 4:3)
- He will deliver you—no matter what. (Psalm 18:19)
- He will increase your mighty. (Dan. 6:3)
- He will hear you if you ask for help today. (Prov. 3:21)
- Even if chaos abounds, you will experience perfect peace. (Isaiah 26:3)
- The waters may rise, but they won't overtake you. (Isaiah 43:2)
- You do not labor in vain. (Isaiah 45:23)
- He will reward you. (Psalm 18:20)
- If you are called to wait on Him, you're gonna be okay there. (Isaiah 30:18)
- He will fill you when you need to—just like He always has. (Psalm 81:10)
- Your barn is going to burst open with blessing. (Prov. 3:9-10)
- You can't imagine the mercy ahead. (Psalm 18:25)
- You will have the things you need. (Psalm 34:9)
- God will restore your soul. (Psalm 23:3)
- You will keep going and not grow weary. (Isaiah 40:13)
- Your words will extinguish anger. (Prov. 15:1)
- You will find happiness as you share. (Prov. 14:21)
- Your reward beyond today is heaven—wow! (Psalm 23:6)
- If you mess up, He will abundantly pardon. (Isaiah 55:7)
- If you are wise, you will win souls. (Prov. 11:30)
- You've got blessings waiting around the corner. (Psalm 24:4-5)
- He'll guide you through the rough spots and help you do the right thing. (Psalm 32:8)
- Your soul will be at ease amid the storm. (Psalm 25:12-13)
- You're stronger than you think—because He will strengthen your heart. (Psalm 37:14)
- Angels are encamped around you. (Psalm 34:7)
- The troubles of this day can't stand up to His power. (Psalm 34:17)
- You will experience supernatural peace. (Psalm 37:11)
- He will be the order that covers your disorder. (Psalms 37:23-24)
- He will deliver you from wicked, conspiring people around you. (Psalm 37:40)
- His Spirit will teach you and fill your gaps. (John 14:26)
- He will bless those who declare His name. (Psalm 89:15)
- He will hold all the pieces of your life together. (Psalm 66:1)
- He will keep you safe under His mighty wings. (Psalm 91:1)
- Nothing needs to offend you today. His Spirit in you is bigger than all of that. (Psalm 139:16)
- Carry on through sadness. He will replace your tears with joy. (Psalm 126:5)
- He's going to tame your doubt and fulfill that dream in your heart. (Psalm 37:4)
- He will provide everything—that's your road filler. (Psalm 23:1)
- Have confidence. He will make His words known to you. (Prov. 1:23)
- Surrender your view of things and people—He will give you spiritual eyes. (Psalm 146:8)
- If you seek Him, you will find Him. (2 Chronicles 15:2)
- With each day, you are growing stronger and stronger. (Job 17:9)
- He will pour out His Spirit on you. (Prov. 1:23)
- God will put a new song in your mouth—and many will put their trust in Him. (Psalm 40:3)
- He's got wisdom ready for you to use. (Prov. 2:7)
- You will lay down tonight and have sweet sleep. (Prov. 3:21)
- He loves you to eternity and back. (Psalm 146:8)
- His covenant of Love to you will never, ever fail. (Psalm 89:28)

How many promises from God can you think of?

Over 3,000 !

For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ.

2 Corinthians 1 v 20

**Make every effort...
2 Peter 1 v 5-11**

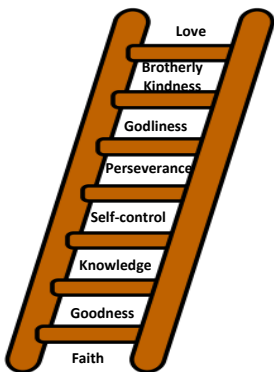
⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶ and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷ and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.

⁸ For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ But whoever does not have them is near-sighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

Make every effort...

...continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfil his good purpose.

Philippians 2 v 12-13



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Why?

To keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Do you need a 'Pointman' action plan?

- Which one of the virtues do you need to work on?
- What are you going to do about it?
- ...in the next two weeks!

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Why?

For if you do these things, you will never stumble,¹¹ and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

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It's not what you know it's who you know that matters!

Don't forget !

v9 if anyone doesn't have *..{those virtues}...* he has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins

v12 I will always remind you of these things even though you know them

v13 it is right to refresh your memory

v15 I will make every effort to see that... you will always be able to remember these things

So what?

- Should you be giving thanks to God for giving to you everything you need?
- Is there a promise you need to hold onto right now?
- Is the Holy Spirit prompting you to commit to an 'action plan' about one of those virtues?
- Do you know the Lord Jesus?
- Do you need to refresh your memory about all he has done for you?

Summary

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God has given us ...

- v3 everything we need for life and godliness
- v4 his very great and precious promises

And so we are called to:-

Make every effort:-

- v5 to add to your faith, goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, brotherly kindness, love
- v10 make your calling and election sure.

Know the Lord Jesus and don't forget !
