**God Has Given Us Everything We Need To Grow Deep…**

**4.16.23**

**#1) …When We Become A CHRISTIAN.**

*Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,* *To those who through the righteousness of our God and Savior* ***Jesus Christ have received a faith*** *as precious as ours:* 2 Peter 1:1 [Romans 5:12; 8:8]

***2Grace and peace*** *be yours in abundance through the* ***knowledge*** *of God and of Jesus our Lord.* 2 Peter 1:2

*Knowledge.* Gk. *Ginosko.* To know, perceive, intimately, experientially.

***I want to know Christ****—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,* Phil 3:10

**#2) …Through The POWER Of Jesus!**

***3****His* ***divine power****has given us everything we need for a* ***godly life*** *through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.*

*Divine power.* Gk. Dynamis. Power, get the word dynamite

*Godly life.* Life characterized by reverence, loyalty, and obedience.

**Key**: Through our relationship with Jesus – *His divine power has been given to you to live a godly life!*

**#3) …Because We Have His Divine NATURE Within.**

***4****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.* 2 Peter 1:4

*Therefore, if anyone is* ***in Christ, he is a new creation.***2 Corinthians 5:17

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### Paul:  *For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son,* Romans 8:29

### #4) …To Add Godly VIRTUES To Our Faith.

***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****.* 2 Peter 1:5-7

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*love.*

### #5) …To Provide A Life Of PURPOSE And Meaning.

***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 nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.* 2 Peter 1:8-9

**#6) … To Keep Us From STUMBLING In Our Faith.**

***10****Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to* ***confirm your calling and election****. 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 Savior Jesus Christ.* 2 Peter 1:10-11

### Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.   Colossians 2:7

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