

Knowing and Growing

2 Peter 1.3 & 4

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Intro; 2 Pet 1:3-4 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: 4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

I. God's _____ vs 3

'According as his divine power hath given unto us. . .'

Eph 1:19 . . . according to the working of his mighty power

Eph 3:16 . . . according to the riches of his glory

Eph 3:20 . . . according to the power that worketh in us

II. God's _____ vs 3

'all things . . .'

James 1:2-5 . . . that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting *nothing*. Lack? Then ask of God

2 Tim 3:17 That the man of God may be perfect, *thoroughly furnished* unto all good works

III. God's _____ vs 3

'that pertain unto life and godliness . . .'

A. _____

Barely get by Brand of Christianity characterized by at least 3 earmarks;

1. _____

2. Quitting

3. _____

B. Godliness Titus 2.11-14

IV. God's _____ vs 3

'through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

Knowledge of Him:

A. Matures Us Eph 4:13

B. Directs Us Col 1:9

C. Encourages Us Phil 3:10

D. Changes Us I Jn 2:3

E. Assures Us I Jn 5:20

V. God's _____ vs 4

'Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, 'exceeding'

A. We are _____ 'Of the Divine Nature'

B. We are Pardoned (Ex-Prisoners)

'having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust'. Col 1:13