

Life Verses

Divine Power for Godly Living: Part 1

2 Peter 1:1-11

This letter is from Simon Peter, a slave and apostle of Jesus Christ. I am writing to you who share the same precious faith we have. This faith was given to you because of the justice and fairness of Jesus Christ, our God and Savior. May God give you more and more grace and peace as you grow in your knowledge of God and Jesus our Lord. By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence. And because of his glory and excellence, he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires. In view of all this, make every effort to respond to God's promises. Supplement your faith with a generous provision of moral excellence, and moral excellence with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone. The more you grow like this, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

MAIN IDEAS

God's Role

1. He Calls
2. He Saves
3. He Equips

Describe what God has done and why according to these verses. How did God do these things for those whom He called, consider 2 Timothy 1:9?

Why are we not capable of coming to God on our own according to John 6:44 and Romans 3:9-18?

What does it mean to “share his divine nature”, consider 1 John 3:1-3? What does it NOT mean?

What is the difference between immature and incomplete? How do we move from being immature to mature?

Why does God fully equip us, according to Colossians 2:8-10?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

How did God draw you to Himself? How might He use you to draw others?

If God has given us *everything* for godly living, why do we ask for what we already have (patience, love, grace, strength, etc.)? What could we do instead? Consider Galatians 5:13-25.

Since God is the one who calls, equips, and saves, why do we hesitate to share Him with others?

Pray -

- Thanksgiving to God for His plan before the foundation of the world to save mankind to Himself.
- Confession to God for not obeying, believing, and maturing in the Truth He has revealed in His word.
- For God to help you grow in the knowledge of Jesus the Savior so that you may obey, believe, and mature for the glory of God and the growth of His kingdom.

REPRODUCE

Share your testimony of salvation with a friend, whether a believer or unbeliever. Ask a fellow Christian to share their testimony with you.

How are you maturing in your knowledge of Jesus Christ at this moment? Ask a friend to join you in a bible study, weekly prayer, or consider joining a small group if you're struggling to actively grow in Christ.

Confess any disobedience to a trusted believer and ask for help in choosing to align your will with God's.

KEY VERSES

From the sermon:

- 1 Peter 1:1-11
- John 6:44
- 2 Timothy 1:9
- Colossians 2:8-10

Additional verses from the study:

- Romans 3:9-18
- 1 John 3:1-3
- Galatians 5:13-25