

Let's Make Really Sure!!!

Part 1 Let's Get Real! Messages From 2 Peter

We Live in a day when **Real, Authentic** _____ is in short supply!
There are Many fake Christians & damnable heresies out there!

*So, dear brothers and sisters, **work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen.** Do these things, and you will never fall away. Then God will give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:10-11*

Peter dealt with these issues also!

*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. 1 Peter 1:1*

Simon = _____ = before saved careless profane Peter = _____ = after salvation
same precious faith--not redeemed w silver or gold but with the precious blood of Jesus. 1 Peter 1:18

Three Things about Our PRECIOUS FAITH!

1. Faith that leads to Confidence is a Faith that _____! (1-4)

*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. ²May God give you more and more grace and peace as you grow **in your knowledge** of God and Jesus our Lord. ³By 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. ⁴And 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. 2 Peter 1:1-4*

"knowledge" is used _____ in this chapter and 16x in the book.

"knowledge" = epignosis it means extensive, "super" knowledge

Assurance is NOT a feeling but is Knowledge!

Knowledge that comes from a personal relationship! **Do you really know Jesus Christ?** Phil. 3:10

³And this is the way to have eternal life—**to know you**, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the one you sent to earth. John 17:3

Here is what we knowwe have.....

> **Pardon** May God give you more and more **grace**

> **Peace** May God give you more and more **grace and peace** grace always before peace!

1. Peace with God Romans 5:1 2. Peace of God Philippians 4:7

> **Power** ³By His **divine power**, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life.

> **Promises** ⁴And 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.** Promises claimed by knowledge

> **Partakers of the Divine Nature** enable you to share His divine nature

Our Nature determines....

behavior

appetite

environment

associations

2. Faith that leads to Confidence is Faith that _____! vs 5-7 *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, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with patient endurance, and patient endurance with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love for everyone.* 2 Peter 1:5-7

After salvation growth is _____ responsibility—Make every effort! Don't let anything stop YOU!

Character qualities--Growth checklist

- >Moral Excellence virtuous person
- >Self Control Prov 16:32; 25:28
- >Godliness simply God likeness
- >Knowledge practical knowledge
- >Patient Endurance
- >Brotherly love
- >Love for Everyone

Am I growing in these areas?

3. Faith that leads to Confidence is Faith that _____ 8-11

⁸ ***The more you grow like this***, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ But those who fail to develop in this way are shortsighted or blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their old sins. ¹⁰ So, dear brothers and sisters, ***work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen.*** Do these things, and you will never fall away. ¹¹ Then God will give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:8-11

Confidence and Growth Means....

- 1. You will not be Barren But be productive and useful
- 2. You will not be Blind But see God's Plan and others
- 3. You will not be Bewildered But will know you are saved

make every effort to respond to God's promises. 2 Peter 1:5

Answers:

Christianity, Unstable, Rock, Knows, 9x, Grows, Our, Shows

