

“Equipped with Hope”

Scripture: 2 Peter 1:4–11

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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.
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 nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.
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.

Theme: Growing in faith through God’s promises, spiritual virtues, and the hope of eternal life.

- I. The Promises of God (v. 4)
- II. Spiritual Virtues for Growth (vv. 5-7)
- III. Living Fruitfully and with Assurance (vv. 8-11)

Discussion Points:

1. What promise of hope do you apply most to your life?
2. Which virtue do you find most challenging to cultivate, and why?
3. How can growing in these virtues make our faith “effective and productive”?

Call to action:

Write down one promise of God that provides you hope and keep it somewhere visible.