

FINISHING YOUR FAITH

Lesson Three • 2Peter 1:5-7

Growing In Godliness

A Finishing Faith Is A Growing Faith!

Since God has given us everything we need to finish our faith, we must make every effort to GROW in our faith!

The Logic of Growing in Godliness:

God has given us power for godliness, "FOR THIS VERY REASON" make every effort to grow in godliness.

*His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness...
For this very reason, make every effort... 2Peter 1:3, 5 ESV*

Growing in Godliness:

I. Make Very SURE You Have Saving Faith In Jesus Christ!

But also for this very reason... 2Peter 1:5

To those who have obtained like precious faith with us by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ...as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness... 2Peter 1:1, 3

The Foundation for Growing in Godliness:

SAVING FAITH in Jesus Christ is the essential foundation for growing in godliness.

2. Make Every EFFORT To Grow In Godliness!

But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith... 2Peter 1:5

Make Every Effort:

Growing in godliness is not automatic, therefore it requires giving all DILIGENCE and determination as we cooperate with God.

Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. Philippians 2:12-13

3. Make Daily PROGRESS In The Qualities Of Godliness!

But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. 2Peter 1:5-7

Peter's Seven Qualities of Godliness:

- To your faith, eagerly and generously add in VIRTUE.
- To your virtue, eagerly and generously add in KNOWLEDGE.
- To your knowledge, eagerly and generously add in SELF-CONTROL.
- To your self-control, eagerly and generously add in PERSEVERANCE.
- To your perseverance, eagerly and generously add in GODLINESS.
- To your godliness, eagerly and generously add in BROTHERLY KINDNESS.
- To your brotherly kindness, eagerly and generously add in LOVE.

The Evidence of Saving Faith and Divine Power:

The evidence that God's power has been given to you by faith is that you are now MAKING EVERY EFFORT to grow in godliness!