

New Life







Am I ok with incompleteness?

Am I ok with living with less
than possible?

2 Peter

Vs 1

Simon Peter, a servant and apostle
of Jesus Christ, to those who
through the righteousness of our
God and Savior Jesus Christ have
received a faith as precious as ours:

Vs 2

Grace and peace be yours in
abundance through the knowledge
of God and of Jesus our Lord.

Vs 3

His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and goodness.

Vs 4

Through these He has given us His very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

Vs 5a

For this very reason, make every
effort to add to your faith...

Vs 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

➤ Faith this Grace, Peace, Intimacy with Jesus, Divine power, God touching thing

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➤ Goodness this unbridled moral muscles; a passionate and fiery preference of right to wrong

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➤ Knowledge this deeper and enlarged knowing of a holy, righteous, loving, just, all powerful, all knowing, and living God

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➤ Self-control this ability to stay on course
in the face of internal resistance and
conflicts

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➤ Perseverance this ability to stay on course
in the face of external resistance and
conflicts

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Godliness

Godliness is never used in
reference to God

Because godliness simply means
God-likeness

God is not like God He is God

Humans are not God but we can
be like God

Godliness this ability to be like God

To think like God

To act like God

1John 4:8

Whoever does not love does not
know God, because God is love.

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Love

- ✓ Patient
- ✓ Kind
- ✓ Does not envy
- ✓ Does not boast
- ✓ Not proud
- ✓ Not rude
- ✓ Not self-seeking

- ✓ Not angered
- ✓ Keeps no record of wrongs
- ✓ Does not delight in evil
- ✓ Rejoices with the truth
- ✓ Always protects
- ✓ Always trusts
- ✓ Always hopes
- ✓ Always perseveres
- ✓ Never fails

God is patient

- Ability to be wronged and not retaliate with wrongness
- To have mud thrown at you and not throw it back

God is kind

- Caring compassion
- To dispense useable grace

God does not envy

- Envy: the spiteful want of somebody's success or good fortune
- Undermining another because they are thriving

God does not boast

- Rub it in someone's face
- I have more and know more so
just shut up listen

God is not proud

- Pride: a haughty attitude
- Walk into a room and the inflated arrogance pushes others around

God is not rude

- Disrespectful manner or action
- Acting without concern for another

God is not self-seeking

- Self-seeking: how does this benefit me?
- There are others in the room

God is not angered

- Angered: provoked to negative action
- Are you tired of being the angry bird?

God keeps no record of wrongs

- Forgives and Erases
- Wow! I want that ability

God does not delight in evil

- When something bad happens to someone who is behaving poorly and we are good with it
- Wants grace to be known

God rejoices with the truth

➤ Celebrates when truth is known
because truth sets free

➤ Does not lie to conceal truth

God protects

➤ Defends

➤ Fights for

God trusts

- Believes the best
- “I am not going to be gullible”...
so we never really believe the best

God hopes

- Sees the bright side to the situation
- Looking for the greater good in the person

God perseveres

➤ It is a force that will come out on top

➤ The briars may be deep and painful but there is an end

God never fails

➤ Therefore godliness will never
leave us short