

## The Process of Preparation

How should parents \_\_\_\_\_ / equip their children?

*Education Responsibility Social interaction Sports Christian Faith*

What is it that develops spiritual \_\_\_\_\_?

*Experiencing God in our life and church*

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:

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

**H**is divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness **through** our knowledge of **H**im who called us by **H**is own glory and goodness.

**Through** these **H**e has given us **H**is 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.

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.

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.

2 Peter 1:1-8

## Quick Observations:

- We can't do it or obtain it; it's \_\_\_\_\_ God.  
5 x in 4 verses
- We are strengthened by \_\_\_\_\_.  
5 x in 8 verses
- God's blessings and gifts are very \_\_\_\_\_.  
He / His / Him—5 x / our 4 x / us 3 x / you-r 5 x

## Critical Steps in Spiritual Strength

We increase our **Value** of God v. 2  
by **E** \_\_\_\_\_ His Faithfulness.  
**Expressing**

GRACE—Goodness we don't deserve.

PEACE—What we can't possess without Him.

We increasingly reflect the **Virtues** of God v. 3  
as we allow Him to **E** \_\_\_\_\_ our lives.  
**Examples**

Are we spending enough time with God that His \_\_\_\_\_ become ours?

We can have increasing **Victory** v. 4  
through the **E** \_\_\_\_\_ He makes possible.  
We need not Fear.

*No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, He will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.*

1 Corinthians 10:13

**Optional Readings:** Find a promise or two of God's in each chapter

**Psalm 28-34, 37, 41, 46, 48-50, 55, 62, 68** (16 chapters)