

2Pe 1:1 Simon Peter, a bond-servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who have received a faith of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ:

Faith is a reasoned belief

Heb 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

Being an apostle did not make them  
infallible!

Gal 2:11 But when Cephas came to Antioch,  
I opposed him to his face, because he stood  
condemned.

2Pe 1:2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord;

We obtain knowledge by study of the word.

Eph 3:4 And by referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ,

2Ti 2:15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God as a workman who does not need to be ashamed, handling accurately the word of truth.

2Pe 1:3 seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.

Joh 14:26 "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

Joh 17:20 "I do not ask in behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word;

Joh 20:31 but these have been written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

2Pe 3:15-16 and regard the patience of our Lord to be salvation; just as also our beloved brother Paul, according to the wisdom given him, wrote to you, (16) as also in all his letters, speaking in them of these things, in which are some things hard to understand, which the untaught and unstable distort, as they do also the rest of the Scriptures, to their own destruction.

2Pe 1:4 For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, in order that by them you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

By His “glory and excellence” – His giving us the knowledge of how, we shall be like Him

Joh 14:10 "Do you not believe that I am  
in the Father, and the Father is in Me?  
The words that I say to you I do not  
speak on My own initiative, but the  
Father abiding in Me does His works.

Rom 10:17 So faith comes from  
hearing, and hearing by the word of  
Christ.

2Pe 1:5 Now for this very reason also,  
applying all diligence, in your faith supply  
moral excellence, and in your moral  
excellence, knowledge;

diligence – make every effort  
moral excellence – virtue



2Pe 1:6 and in your knowledge, self-control,  
and in your self-control, perseverance, and  
in your perseverance, godliness;

self control – KJV – temperance

1Co 9:25 And everyone who competes in  
the games exercises self-control in all things.  
They then do it to receive a perishable  
wreath, but we an imperishable.

2Pe 1:7 and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love.

2Pe 3:11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,

Brotherly kindness – 1Jn 4:20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.

Joh 13:35 "By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

2Pe 1:8-9 For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. (9) For he who lacks these qualities is blind or short-sighted, having forgotten his purification from his former sins.

We must have some of each of these, but all must be increasing in quantity!

Phil 1:10-11 so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ; (11) having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Never forget we all have sinned Rom 3.23  
but we must not continue in sin Rom 6.1-2

2Pe 1:10 Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble;

Called by the gospel 2Th 2.14  
chosen by our acceptance Jn 1.12  
given to practice of His word Col 2:6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,

2Pe 1:11 for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

This way – our practice of His way leads us to eternity with Him

Dan 2.44 one kingdom established in days of Roman empire – His church Col 1.13

2Pe 1:12-13 Therefore, I shall always be ready to remind you of these things, even though you already know them, and have been established in the truth which is present with you. (13) And I consider it right, as long as I am in this earthly dwelling, to stir you up by way of reminder,

No matter how many times you have heard it, you need to be reminded!

“don’t squeeze the Charmin”

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2Pe 1:14-15 knowing that the laying aside of my earthly dwelling is imminent, as also our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. (15) And I will also be diligent that at any time after my departure you may be able to call these things to mind.

What did Peter do for them to be able to call these things to mind? – He wrote them down.  
*seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness*

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Joh 21:18 "Truly, truly, I say to you,  
when you were younger, you used to  
gird yourself, and walk wherever you  
wished; but when you grow old, you  
will stretch out your hands, and  
someone else will gird you, and  
bring you where you do not wish to  
go."

2Pe 1:16 For we did not follow cleverly  
devised tales when we made known to you  
the power and coming of our Lord Jesus  
Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His  
majesty.

Luk 5:4-8 And when He had finished speaking, He said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." (5) And Simon answered and said, "Master, we worked hard all night and caught nothing, but at Your bidding I will let down the nets." (6) And when they had done this, they enclosed a great quantity of fish; and their nets began to break; (7) and they signaled to their partners in the other boat, for them to come and help them. And they came, and filled both of the boats, so that they began to sink. (8) But when Simon Peter saw that, he fell down at Jesus' feet, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!"

2Pe 1:17-18 For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"-- (18) and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.

Mat 17:2-5 And He was transfigured before them; and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became as white as light. (3) And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, talking with Him. (4) And Peter answered and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You wish, I will make three tabernacles here, one for You, and one for Moses, and one for Elijah." (5) While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and behold, a voice out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him!"

2Pe 1:19 And so we have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts.

As in Isa 7.14; 9.6; 53, Ps 22

Rev 22:16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright morning star."



**Psa 119:105 Thy word is a lamp to  
my feet, And a light to my path.**

2Pe 1:20-21 But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, (21) for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

Not for everyone, but for the apostles – Joh 16:13  
"But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come.

1Pe 1:10-12 As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that would come to you made careful search and inquiry, (11) seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow. (12) It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven--things into which angels long to look.