2 Peter 1:3-11

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. 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.

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, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, 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 f anyone does not have them, he is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that he has been cleansed from his past sins.

¹⁰ Therefore, my brothers be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure. For if you do these things, you will never fall, ¹¹ and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.participate in divine nature.

The Parable of the Wedding Banquet - Matt 22:1-14

¹ Jesus spoke to them again in parables, saying: ² "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who prepared a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his servants to those who had been invited to the banquet to tell them to come, but they refused to come.

⁴ "Then he sent some more servants and said, 'Tell those who have been invited that I have prepared my dinner: My oxen and fattened cattle have been butchered, and everything is ready. Come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵ "But they paid no attention and went off - one to his field, another to his business. ⁶ The rest seized his servants, mistreated them and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his army and destroyed those murderers and burned their city.

⁸ "Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding banquet is ready, but those I invited did not deserve to come. ⁹ So go to the street corners and invite to the banquet anyone you find.' ¹⁰ So the servants went out into the streets and gathered all the people they could find, both good and bad, and the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing wedding clothes. ¹² 'Friend,' He asked, 'How did you get in here without wedding clothes?' The man was speechless. ¹³ "Then the king told the attendants, 'Tie him hand and foot, and throw him outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

¹⁴ "For many are invited, but few are chosen."



1. addONE: Proven & Developed Faith

2. addONE Virtue: Becoming more like Christ in character Goodness & Knowledge

3. addONE Virtue: Become more like Christ in character Self-control & Perseverance

4. addONE Virtue: Becoming more like Christ in character Godliness

5. addONE Virtue: Becoming more like Christ in character Brotherly kindness & Love

6. addONE Ministry: Becoming more like Christ in service

7. addONE Person: Becoming more like Christ in seeking the lost

8. addONE Person: God's Calling



We live in uncertain times, where it's hard to know anything for sure, but one thing we can know is...

Make every effort = spoudé =

| GOD'S CALLING |
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| 1 Tim 2:3-4 God our Saviour wants to be saved |
| John 12:32 When I am lifted up from the earth I will draw |
| John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son |
| that Condition #1: |
| 2 Peter 3:9 He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but |
| to come to repentance. |
| Condition #2: |
| Parable of the wedding banquet (Matthew 22:1-4) |
| 1. There were those that were invited (called) but |
| 2. Go out and call |
| 3. Those without wedding clothes were |
| Wedding clothes: |
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| GOD'S ELECTION |
| Election = eklogé which is also translated |
| Romans 11:5 tells us that we are chosen by |
| Titus 2:11 The grace that brings salvation has appeared to |
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| Grace is the |
| Faith (trust) is the |
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| GOD'S ASSURANCE |
| 1. Bring your life to |
| 2. Get rid of all known (sin = hamartia =) |
| 1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins |
| Rom 8:13 If by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body |
| 3. Fill yourself with |
| v.11 If you do these things you: a) will never |
| b) Receive a rich welcome into: |

| life, how would you explain it? |
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| Review the scriptures on God's calling (opposite) & answer the following a. How does God call us? |
| b. Who does God call? |
| c. What is the purpose of God's call? |
| 3. What are the conditions of our response to Jesus call? |
| If you have responded to God's call on your life, how did it happen? (By the way, no response is a response!) |
| 4. Read the parable of the Wedding banquet. If you haven't done so already, answer the questions related to it opposite. |
| What were the reasons people declined the invitation? |
| For those that did respond to the call, what was the requirement for them to be at the banquet? |
| 5. How does God choose? |
| What is our part in this? |
| 6. Review the steps opposite that enable us to have an assurance that we are saved. What does each of them mean in your life practically? |
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1. If you were telling someone about how God enables us to start over in