

You Have All You Need...To Live for Christ

2 Peter 1:3a (part one) Chris Mueller 10-20-2019

Introduction:

2 Corinthians 9:8 God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed.

2 Peter 1:3-4 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. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

#1 All the P_____ you need is in Christ

3a seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness

Ephesians 3:20-21 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

Matthew 19:26 With people this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.

1 Corinthians 3:6-7 I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth. So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth.

Ephesians 3:7 ...of which I was made a minister, according to the gift of God's grace which was given to me according to the working of His power.

Ephesians 3:16 ...that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man.

Ephesians 5:18 Be filled with the Spirit.

#2 All the P_____ you need is in Christ

3b has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness

1 Corinthians 10:13 No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

Philippians 1:6 For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

#3 All the P you need are in Christ

3c *through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.*

1st The encouragement of C

3c *through the true knowledge of Him*

Matthew 7:21–23 Not everyone who says to Me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter. Many will say to Me on that day, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?" And then I will declare to them, "I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness."

Amos 8:11 "Behold, days are coming," declares the Lord GOD, "When I will send a famine on the land, Not a famine for bread or a thirst for water, But rather for hearing the words of the LORD."

Hosea 6:6 For I delight in loyalty rather than sacrifice, And in the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

2nd The encouragement of CALLING *who called us*

3rd The encouragement of Christ's CHARACTER and CLASS *by His own glory and excellence*

#4 All the PROMISES you need are in Christ 4

4a *For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises*

1st The strength of a new nature 4b *so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature*

2nd The strength to escape corruption 4c *having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust*

Take HOME

A – Grow dependent upon the _____ of Christ

2 **Corinthians 12:9** "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

B – Grow deep in the _____ of Christ

C – Grow certain of your _____ with Christ

QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH IN CHRIST

1. Why is it important that believers know that God has given us sufficient power to live the Christian life?
2. Why does Peter make such strong statements about our needs being met in Christ?
3. How do believers draw on the power of Christ for our everyday lives?
4. Why do many believers live in a constant state of defeat? Why can't a Christian live the life of the constant victim?
5. How is our intimate, personal, growing knowledge of Christ a motivation to live the Christian life?
6. What steps will you take this week to apply this message to your life, to your service in the body, and to your witness in the world?

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