**2 Peter 1:1-21**

**Grow in Grace**

Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, (1:2)

**Introduction (1:1-2)**

“**Simon Peter**, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, **to** **them** that have **obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Savior Jesus Christ**:**2Grace** and **peace be multiplied unto you** through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

**Grow in Grace and Knowledge (1:3-21)**

**With precious gifts from God (1:3-4)**

**All things that pertain to life and goodliness (1:3)**

“According as his divine power hath given unto us **all things that pertain unto life and godliness**, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:”

**Exceedingly great and precious promises (1:4)**

“Whereby are given unto us **exceeding great and precious promises**: that by these **ye might be partakers of the divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.”

**Abounding in the knowledge of Christ (1:5-11)**

**Supplying our faith with Christ-like graces (1:5-7)**

“And beside this, giving all diligence, **add to your faith** **virtue**; and to virtue **knowledge**;6And to knowledge **temperance**; and to temperance **patience**; and to patience **godliness**;7And to godliness **brotherly kindness**; and to brotherly kindness **charity**.”

**Making our call and election sure (1:8-11)**

“For **if these things be in you**, and **abound**, they make you that **ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ**. **9**But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.**10**Wherefore the rather, brethren, **give diligence to make your calling and election sure**: for **if ye do these things, ye shall never fall**:**11**For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

**Stirred up by careful reminder (1:12-21)**

**By one who knows his death is imminent (1:12-15)**

“Wherefore I will not be negligent to **put you always in remembrance of these things**, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.**13**Yea, **I think it meet**, as long as I am in this tabernacle, **to stir you up by putting you in remembrance**;**14Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle**, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.**15**Moreover **I will endeavor that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance**.”

**Whose eyewitness testimony along with the prophetic Word we should heed (1:16-21)**

“For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were **eyewitnesses of his majesty**.**17**For he received from God the Father honor and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, **This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased**.**18**And this **voice which came from heaven we heard**, when we were with him in the holy mount.**19**We have also a **more sure word of prophecy**; whereunto ye **do well that ye take heed**, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:**20Knowing this first**, that **no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation**.**21**For the **prophecy came** not in old time by the will of man: but **holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost**.”

**CONCLUSION**

**Precious promises**

**Supplying our faith with Christ=like graces**

**More sure word of prophecy**