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Getting Started

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Digging In

1. **Read 2 Pet 1:5-7.** Write a brief definition of each of the virtues Peter lists in these verses. (Use a dictionary if you like.)

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- b. Knowledge
- c. Self-control
- d. Perseverance
- e. Godliness
- f. Brotherly kindness
- g. Love



2. What does it mean to *make every effort* to develop these virtues?
3. **Read 2 Pet 1:8-9.** What is the benefit of developing these qualities *in increasing measure*?
4. What is the implication if these qualities are **not** becoming increasingly evident in our lives?
5. **Read 2 Pet 1:10-11.** How does our pursuit of godliness relate to our calling?
6. How does it relate to staying on the right path?
7. How does it affect our reception into God's eternal kingdom?

Getting Personal

- Would you say that you are *making every effort* to pursue godliness?
- Which of the virtues listed in vv. 5-7 would you most like to see God develop in your life? How can you cooperate with God in the process? Write down some specific steps.
- Reflect again on vv. 3-4. How can these verses encourage us as we cooperate with God's Spirit in becoming more like Christ?

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