

Study Notes for 2 Peter 1 (Part 3) :5-11

Note: Be sure and read verses 3 and 4 along with this week's section since those first two verses are vital to understanding what is being conveyed.

- Peter lists seven moral qualities in verses 5–8. He tells us to add each one to the next. What does this tell you about how these qualities are related to each other?
- **Make every effort** (1:5). The Greek behind this word implies diligence and strenuous effort with the idea of hastening. The verb tense used in the Greek is one that makes the action imperative — it is not optional, nor can it be delayed or postponed. How do these insights add to what Peter is saying about believers building upon their faith?
- **Supplement** (1:5). This Greek word literally means “to supply in addition.” The verb implies going to great effort at a cost and grammatically links all seven of the qualities listed in 1:5–8.
- *Sanctification* is the process by which we become more like Christ. What do we learn about this process from :5–9?
- Peter doesn't give a plan or recipe for growing in these seven qualities. What reason for this did Pastor Paul bring out in the teaching?
- What is the promise that Peter outlines in verse 8?
- Describe what *ineffective* and *unproductive* might look like in the life of a born again Christian.
- Peter uses the word **nearsighted** to describe a Christian that can't seem to look past their immediate circumstances. This has been referred to as *the tyranny of the urgent*. Why does Peter refer to this as blindness?
- How does remembering that we have been cleansed from our sins help us to look past the present and into eternity?
- Another promise is given in **verse 10**. What is it?
- In **verse 11** Peter speaks of the kind of welcome we might receive as we enter heaven. Why should believers be concerned about that? Isn't being saved enough?