



Inward Changes Message 1

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► Outline

The more you grow like this, the more productive and useful you will be in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:8 (NLT)

A. Introduction: The promise of godly living.
(2 Peter 1:3-4,13-15. C/R: 2 Corinthians 5:17; Philippians 2:12-13)

B. We respond to God's promises by...

1. Growing in _____.
(2 Peter 1:5,8. C/R: Philippians 4:8; 1 Peter 2:12)

2. Growing in _____.
(2 Peter 1:5. C/R: Psalm 1:1-3; Proverbs 2:1-6;
Romans 15:14; Colossians 1:9)

3. Growing in _____.
(2 Peter 1:6. C/R: Romans 8:13; 1 Corinthians 9:27; 10:13-14;
Galatians 5:22-23; James 4:7)

4. Growing in _____.
(2 Peter 1:6. C/R: Romans 5:3-5; 12:12; Philippians 4:13;
James 1:2-3)

Engage

How are you responding to the promises of God?
Encourage one another on social media using the hashtag
#BrookwoodResponds and tag **@BrookwoodChurch**.

Answers: 1. moral excellence 2. knowledge 3. self-control 4. patient endurance
Resource Information: Unless otherwise noted, Scripture verses are from the *Holy Bible*, New Living Translation (NLT). C/R refers to a 'cross reference.' Today's outline and discussion guide are available through the Brookwood Church app.



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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to discover more about God and develop a deeper relationship with Him. To connect in one of our Small Groups, visit brookwoodchurch.org/smallgroups.

Conversation Starter

What makes you believe something is true?

Opening in Prayer

Spend a few minutes in silence. Ask God to help you know for sure what He's saying to you as you read and study this week.

Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

Read [2 Peter 1:1-11](#).

1. How does Peter describe a person who has faith in vs. 1-2?
2. Describe a time you experienced grace and peace from God.
3. What does this passage say you can do if you want to grow in your relationship with Jesus?
4. What does God promise in the following passages?
 - a) [Proverbs 2:6-8](#)
 - b) [Isaiah 41:8-10](#)
 - c) [John 16:12-15](#)
5. Which of these seems most significant for you right now?

6. How can knowing God's promises help you grow?
7. How does this passage in 2 Peter describe your purpose in life?
8. When was the last time you experienced the influence of the *world's corruption* in your life?
9. What did that experience teach you about yourself?
10. How might God be calling you to respond to His promises this week?

The pathway of life is strewn so thickly with the promises of God that it is impossible to take one step without treading upon one of them.

John Bunyan

Spend time each day this week in silence with God. Ask Him to quiet your heart as you read through the Daily Reading or another passage of Scripture. Reach out to at least one person this week and share what you're learning.

Memory Verse

By His divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know Him, the One who called us to Himself by means of His marvelous glory and excellence. [2 Peter 1:3 \(NLT\)](#)

Daily Reading

Day 1: [Psalm 1:1-6](#)

Day 4: [3 John 1:1-4](#)

Day 2: [Colossians 1:9-14](#)

Day 5: [Micah 4:1-5](#)

Day 3: [2 Peter 3:14-18](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Sunday, November 17, we'll conclude the 2-part series titled *Respond*. To prepare, read [2 Peter 1:1-11](#) and reflect on the idea of receiving and responding to the promises of God.



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