

2 Peter 1:3-11

Confirmation of the Called

Key Word: Holiness

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[Confirm Your Calling and Election]

[3] His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, [4] by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

[5] For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge,

[6] and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, [7] and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. [8] For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. [9] For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. [10] Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. [11] For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Outline

1. Rowing Toward Home
2. Sanctification
3. The Source of Holiness
4. The Striving for Holiness
5. The Assurance of Holiness

1) Rowing Toward Home

- (Ephesians 1:4) even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.
- (Ephesians 4:22-24) [22] to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, [23] and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, [24] and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.
- (Ephesians 5:26-27)[26] that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, [27] so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

2) Sanctification

- (Phil 2:12-13) [12]work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, [13] for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.
- *Sanctification is a progressive work of God and man that makes us more and more free from sin and like Christ in our actual lives. ~ Wayne Grudem*
- “Deeds are the fruits of love; and love is the fruit of faith.” So wrote William Tyndale.

3) The Source of Holiness

VV 1-3

- **Divine Power**

(2 Peter 1:3 ESV) [3] His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence,

(Ephesians 1:18-19 ESV) [18] having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, [19] and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might

3) The Source of Holiness

vv 1-3 (Continued)

- **Having Escaped From Corruption**
(2 Peter 1:4) by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.
- (Hebrews 10:14) For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

4) The Striving for Holiness

VV 5-7

- **Make Every Effort**

(2 Peter 1:5-7) [5] For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, [6] and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, [7] and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.

4) The Striving for Holiness

vv 5-7 (continued)

- Supplement Faith with Virtue
- Virtue with Knowledge
- Knowledge with Self Control
- Self Control with Steadfastness
- Steadfastness with Godliness
- Godliness with Brotherly Affection

5) The Assurance of Holiness

VV 8-11

- **Confirm Your Election**

(2 Peter 1:8) For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

(2 Peter 1:9) For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.

5) The Assurance of Holiness

vv 8-11 (continued)

- **Be All The More Diligent**

(2 Peter 1:10-11 ESV) [10] Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. [11] For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

(Romans 8:30 ESV) And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.