

Pastor Will Sohnchen
Sermon Outline – January 10, 2010
Digging Deeper — Part 1

¹Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who through the righteousness of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ have received a faith as precious as ours. ²Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

³His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. ⁴Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

⁵For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. ⁸For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹But if anyone does not have them, he is near-sighted and blind, and has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins.

¹⁰Therefore, my brothers, be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure. For if you do these things, you will never fall, ¹¹and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:1-11

Peter's main concern: _____

Issues that Peter addresses:

1. Problems from _____ False Teachers (2:1-3)
2. A Christianity without _____ (2:13-16)
3. A denial of Christ's _____ (3:3-5)

Peter is concerned that these people risk becoming “ineffective” and “unproductive” in their Christian lives. He is calling them to become “in practice” what they already are “in Christ.”

What makes people ineffective?

Reason for Hope:

1. God is _____(3:9)

“The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.”

2. God has given us _____ (3:3-4)

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