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Add to self-control .... perseverance - 2 Peter 1:6

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**3 His 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. 4 Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

5 For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; 6 and to knowledge, self-control; and to selfcontrol, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; 7 and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

**8** For 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. 9 But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

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# Goodness

•Turning from evil and to good
•Humbling of the heart

Knowledge •Knowing truth sets us free •A renewed mind

# Goodness Knowledge

**Self-control** •Engaging the enemy Not giving in to his seduction Perseverance •Engaging the enemy •Not giving up – standing strong

# Goodness Knowledge

### **Self-control**

Perseverance

# Godliness **Brotherly Kindness** Love



**1.** Godliness is what happens to you when pursue God

Titus 1 **1** Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ to further the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth that leads to godliness



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### 1 Timothy 6

11 But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. 12 Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.



### 2. Godliness requires an "out-of-step-with-the-world" mindset

### 1 Timothy 6

**6** But godliness with contentment is great gain. 7 For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.



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2 Timothy 3:12 In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted,

2 Peter 3:11 Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives 12 as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. 13 But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.





**3. Godliness empowers you to Godly character** 

### 2 Timothy 3

**But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last** days. 2 People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, 4 treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— 5 having a form of godliness but denying its power.

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 Corinthians 5:14 For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died.

Ephesians 3:17 And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.



### 4. Godliness is both loving God and fearing God

**Hebrews 10:22 let us draw near to God with a sincere heart** and with the full assurance that faith brings

Hebrews 10:28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, <sup>29</sup> for our "God is a consuming fire."



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**Romans 8:15** the Spirit you received brought about your Adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father."

**1** Timothy 6:15... God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, 16 who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen.



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