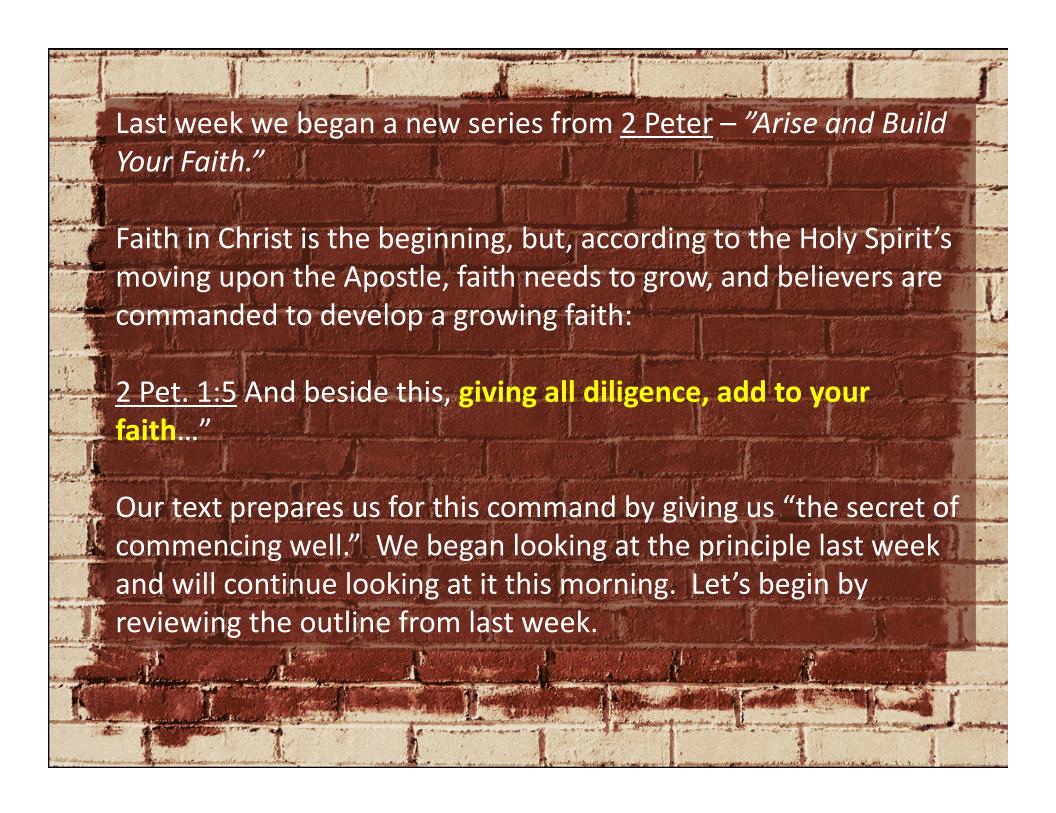
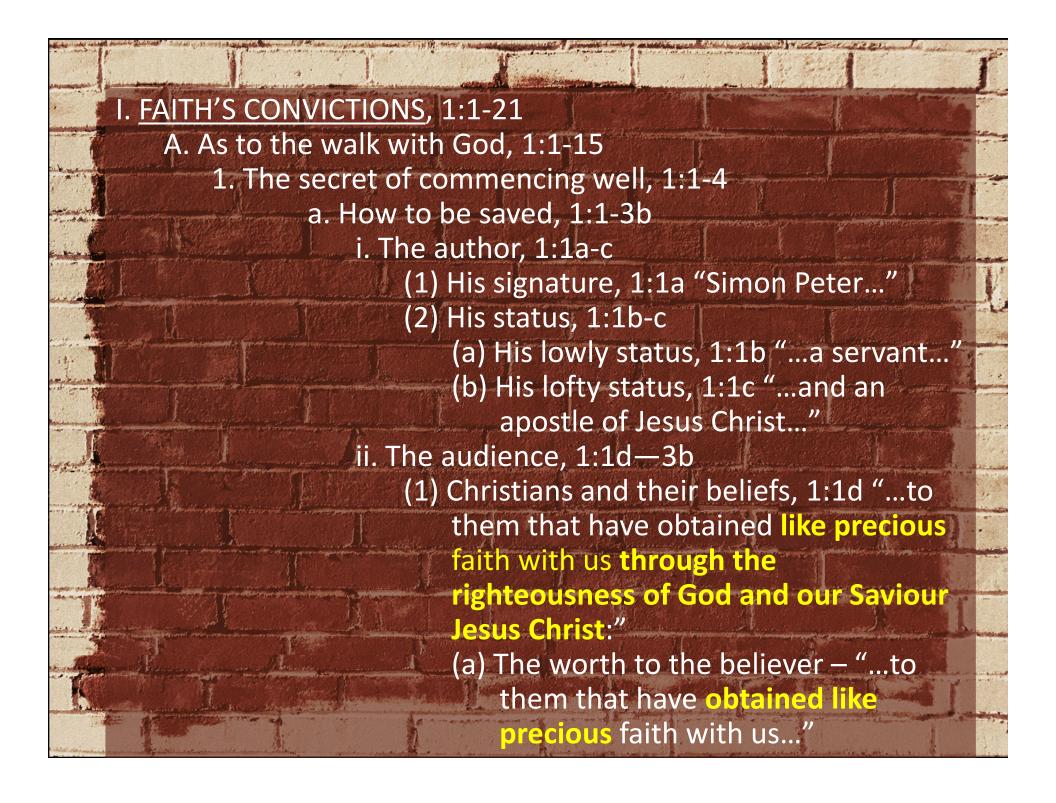
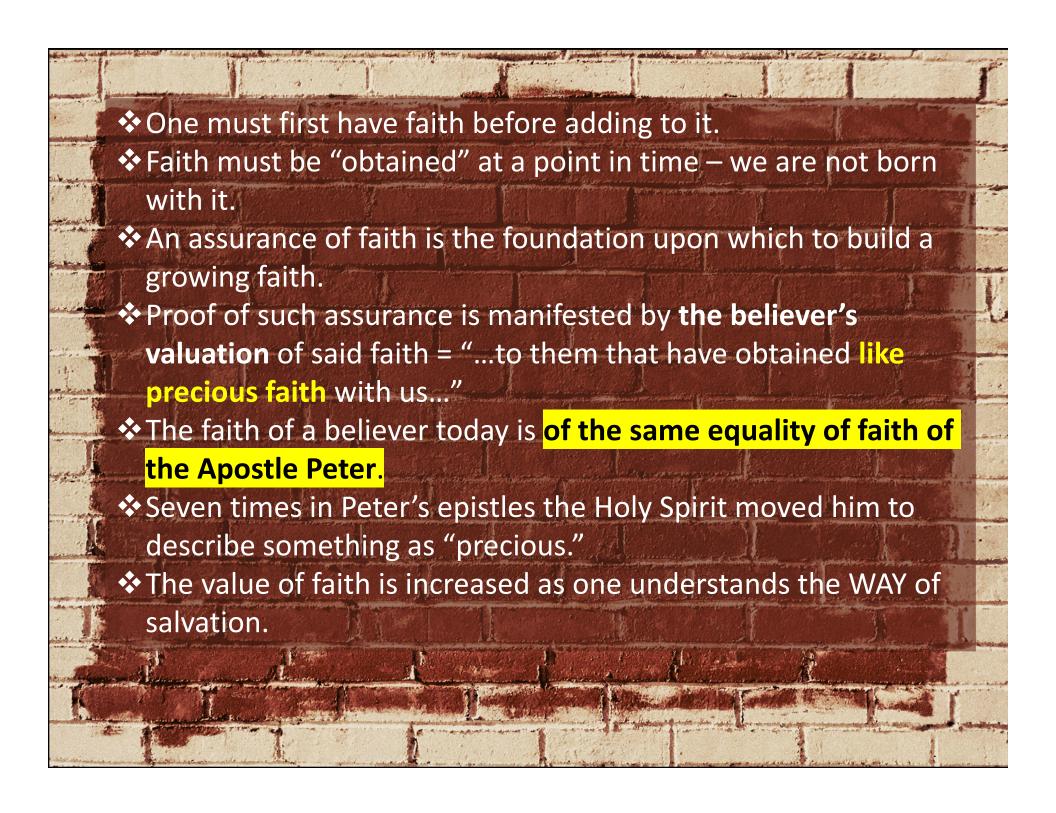


- 2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,
 - 3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:
- 4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.





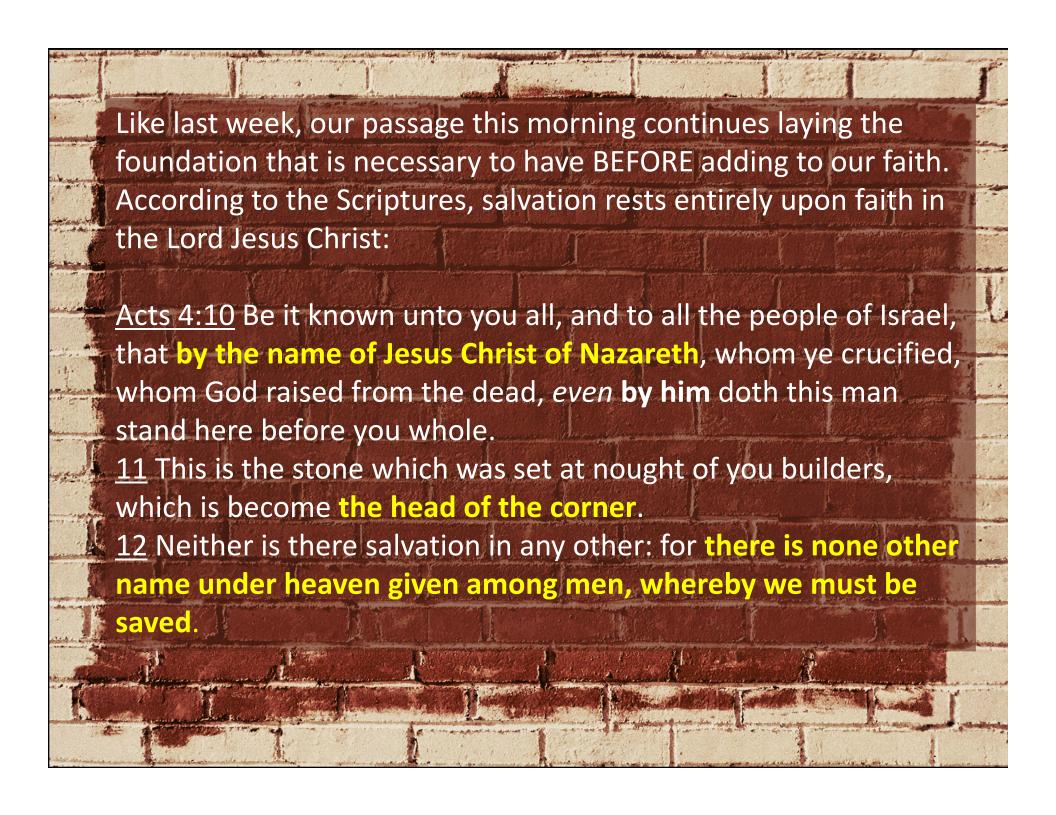


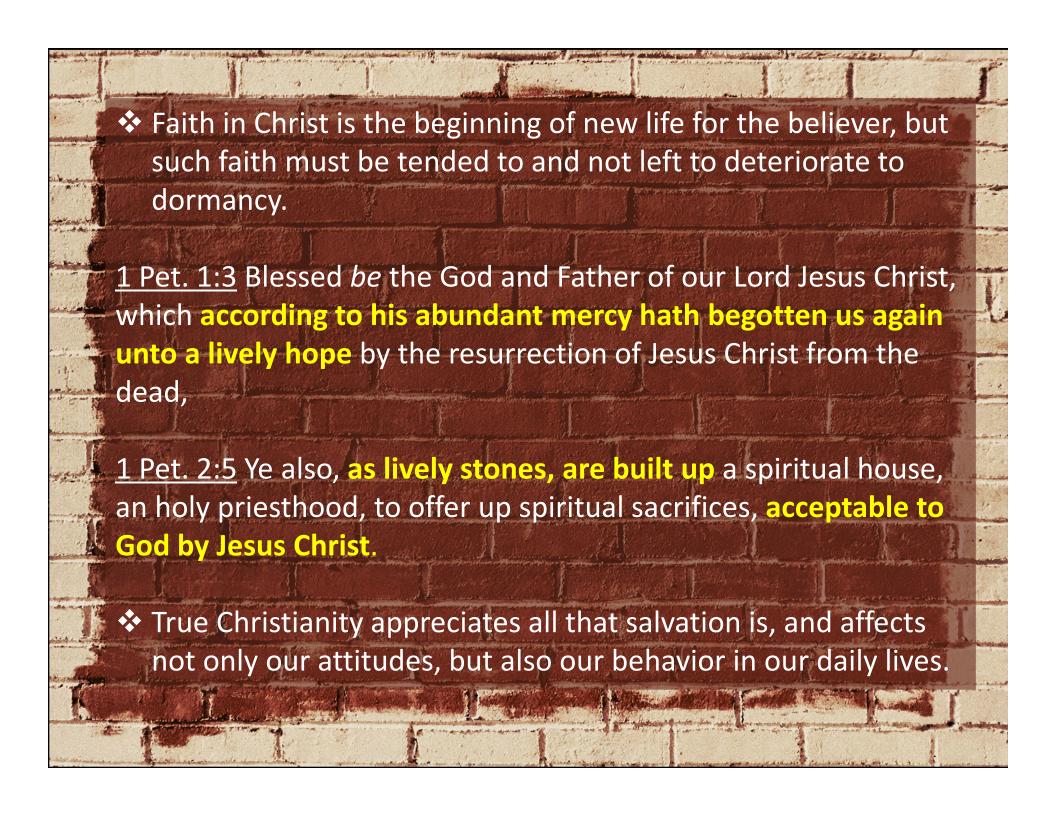
(b) The way for the believer — "...through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ..."

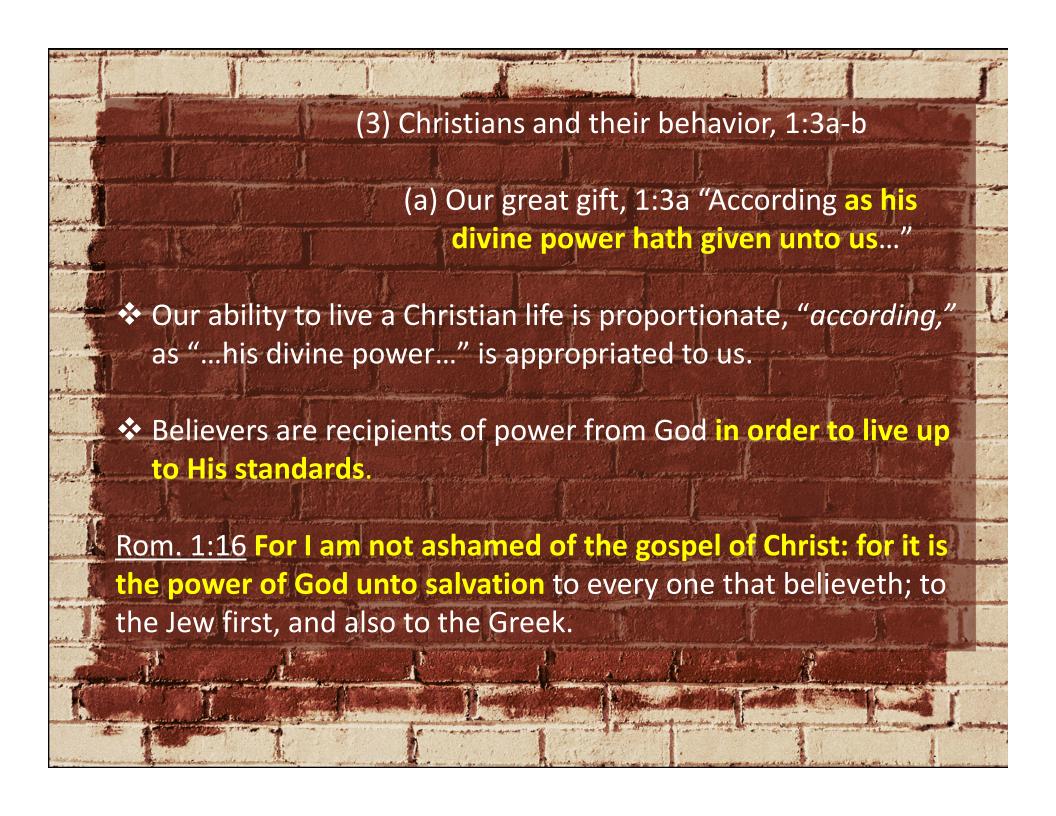
- Salvation, correctly understood, places the emphasis upon the Lord Jesus Christ.
- In order to "build our faith" we must begin by having assurance of salvation.

(2) Christians and their blessings, 1:2

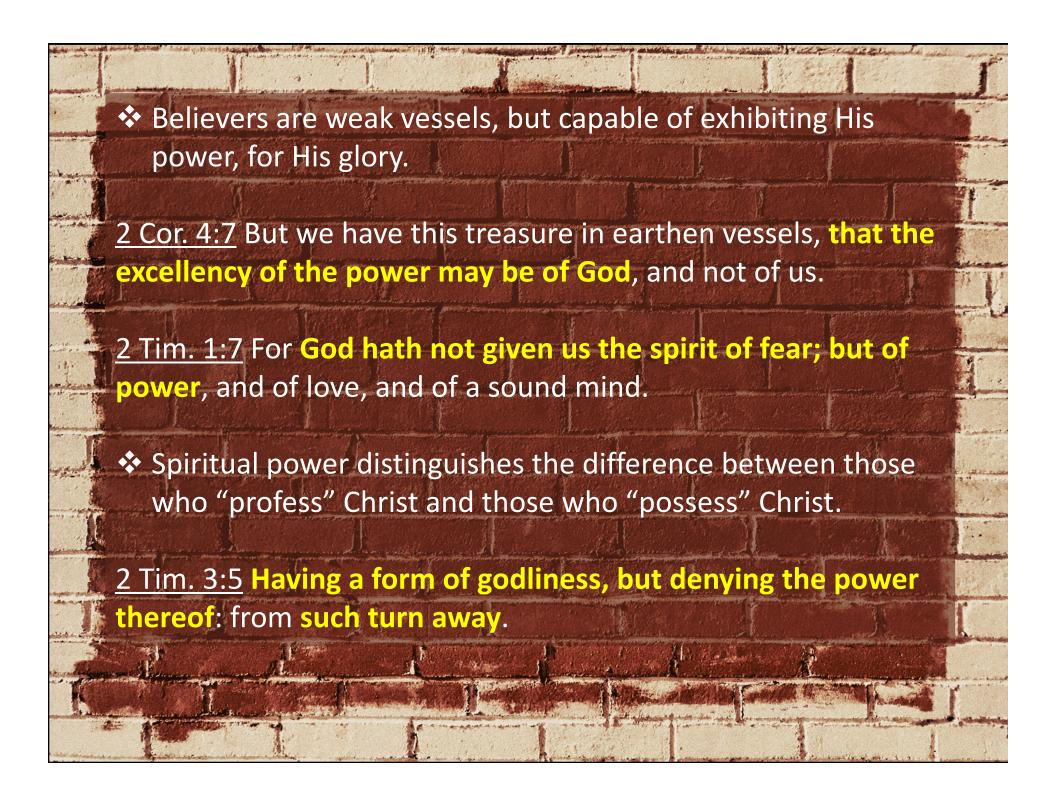
- "Grace and peace..." are a result of imputed righteousness.
- "...be multiplied..." = the multiplication that is derived from the "knowledge."
- Such knowledge is an intimate and personal relationship with Christ that is experiential in total submission of the believer to know and do God's will.
- Assurance of salvation enlightens a believer to possess a thankful heart.



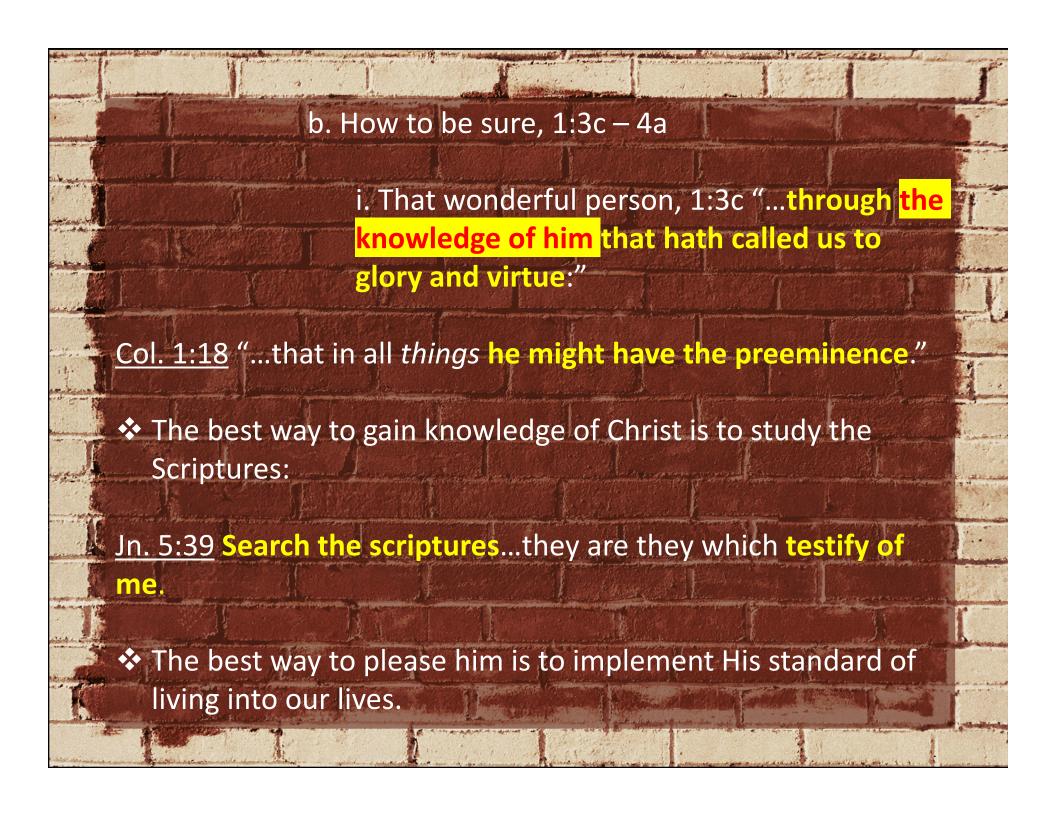


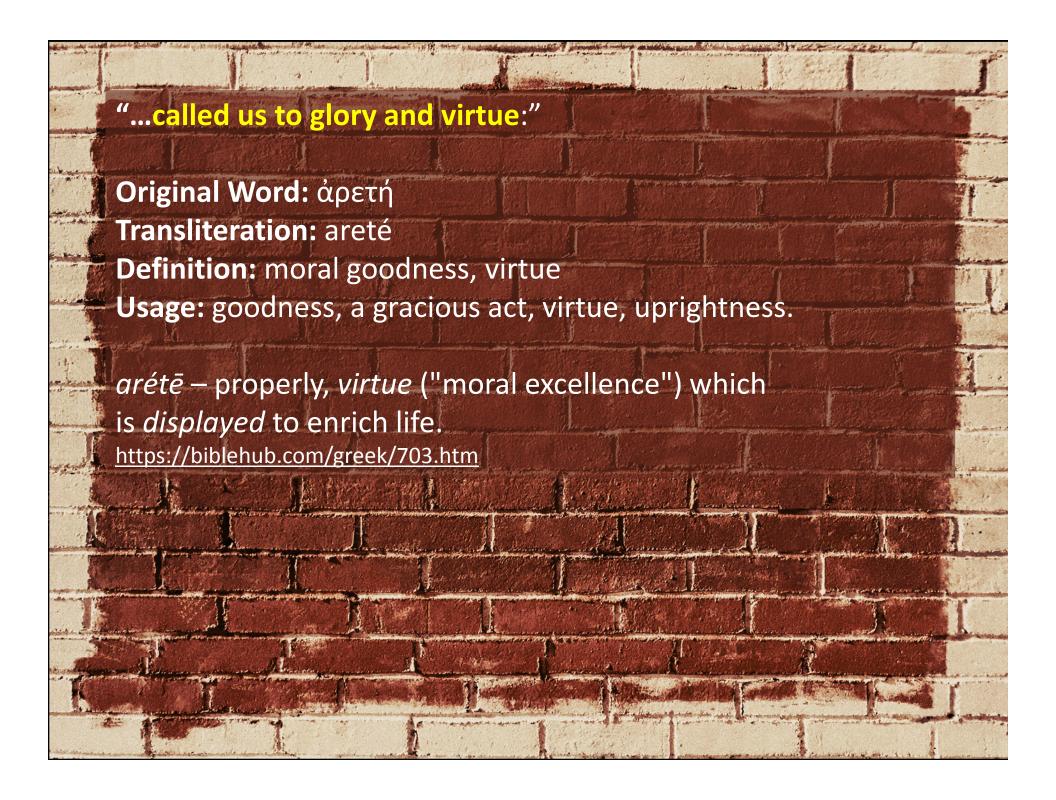


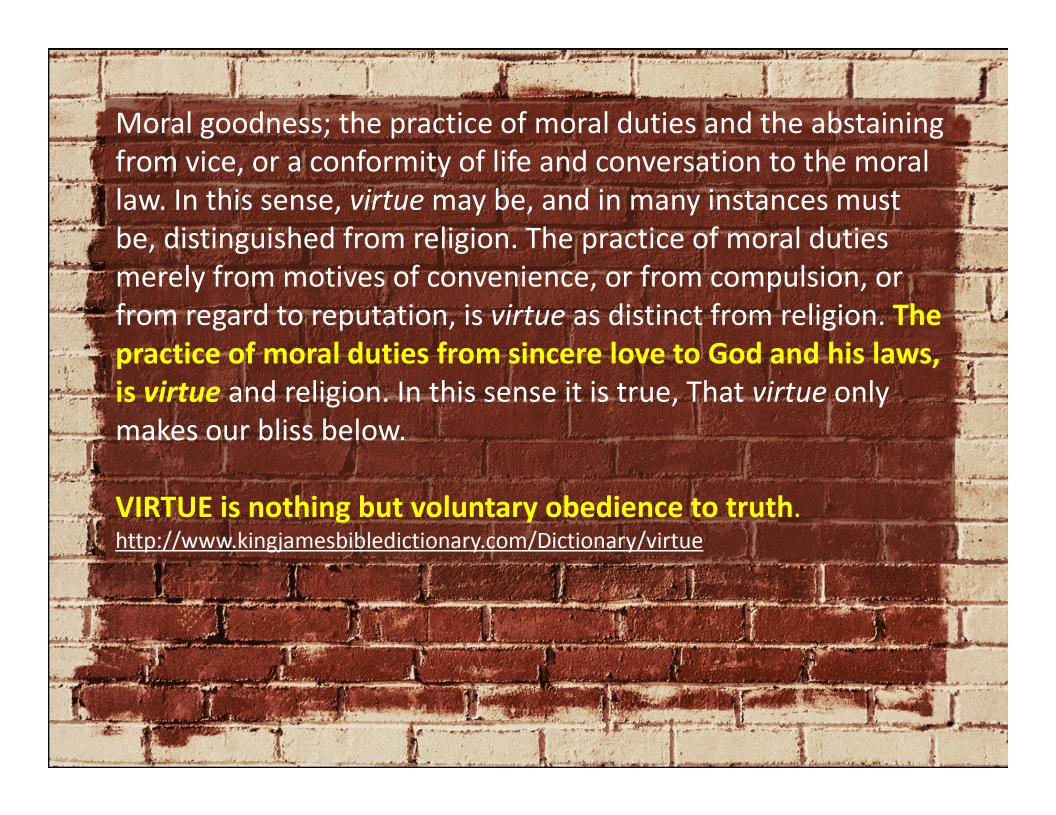
❖ Believers are indwelled with the Holy Spirit in order to have spiritual strength. Rom. 15:13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. 1 Cor. 2:5 That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. Eph. 3:7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power. ... 16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man ... 20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,

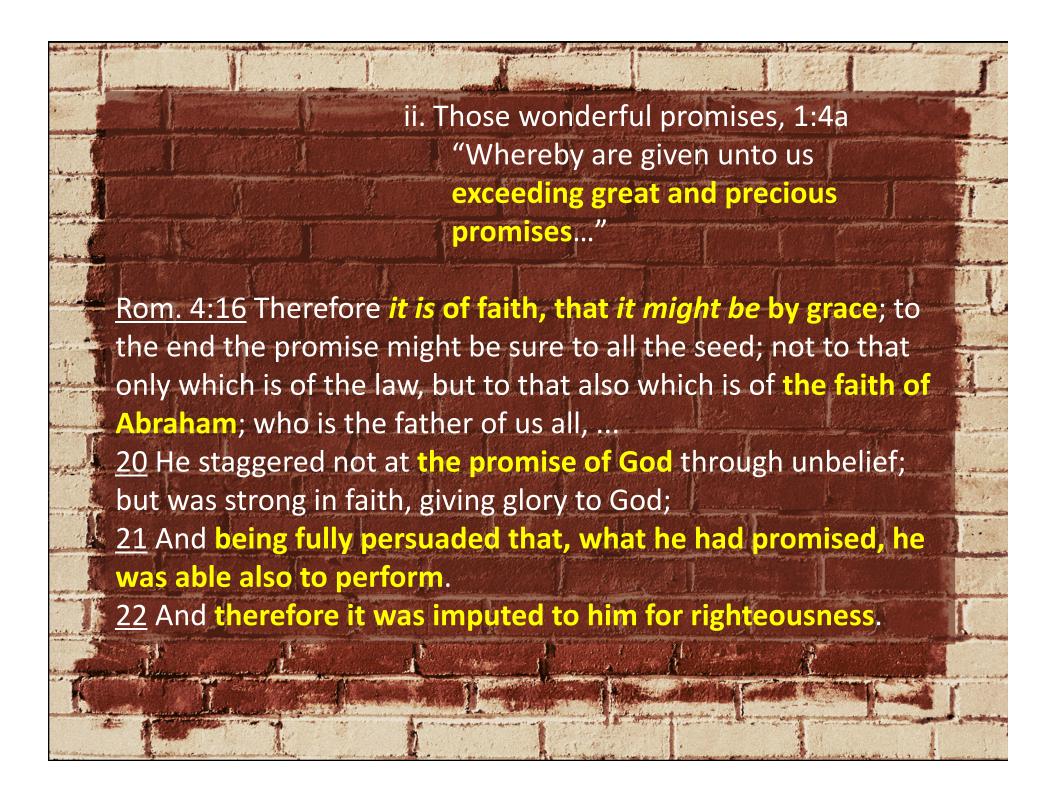


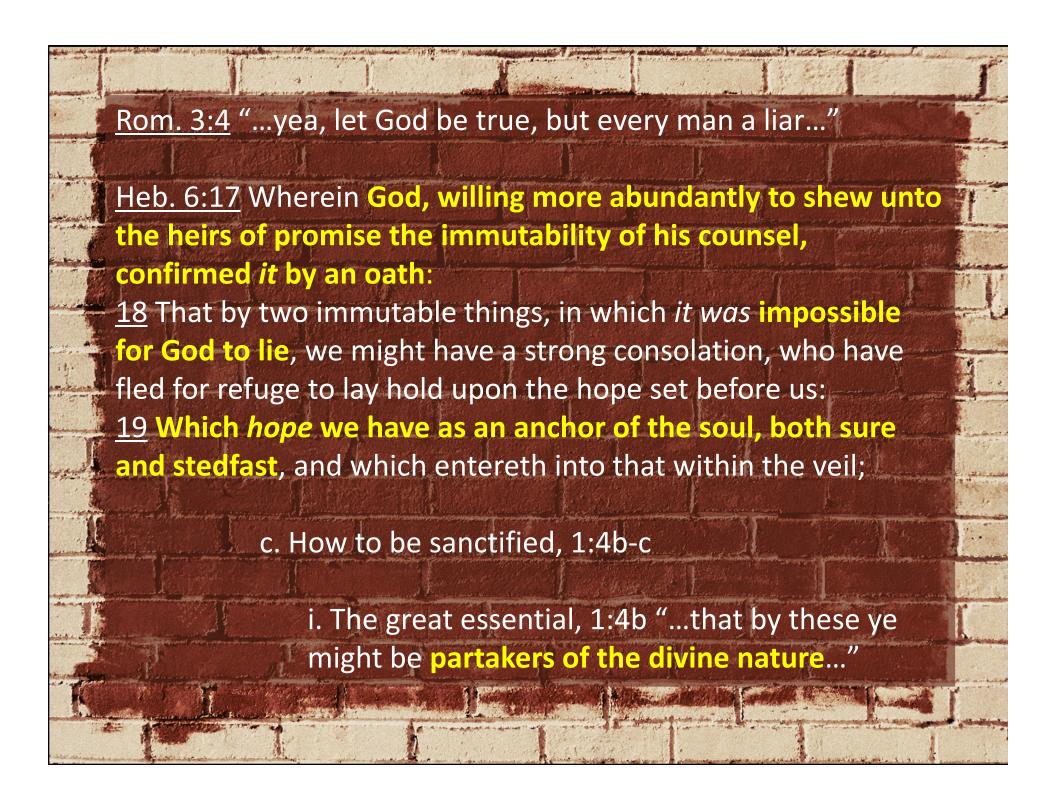
(b) Our great goal, 1:3b "...all things that pertain unto life and godliness... 1 Tim. 2:2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. Titus 2:11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, 12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present 13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; 14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.









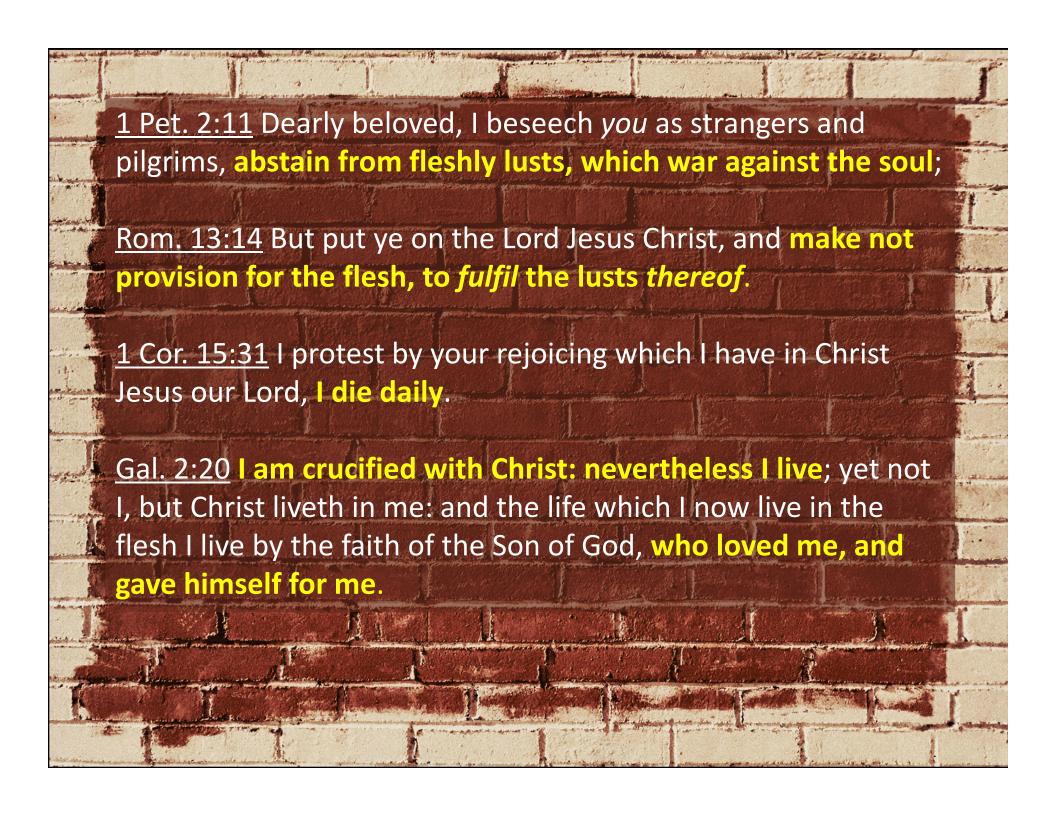


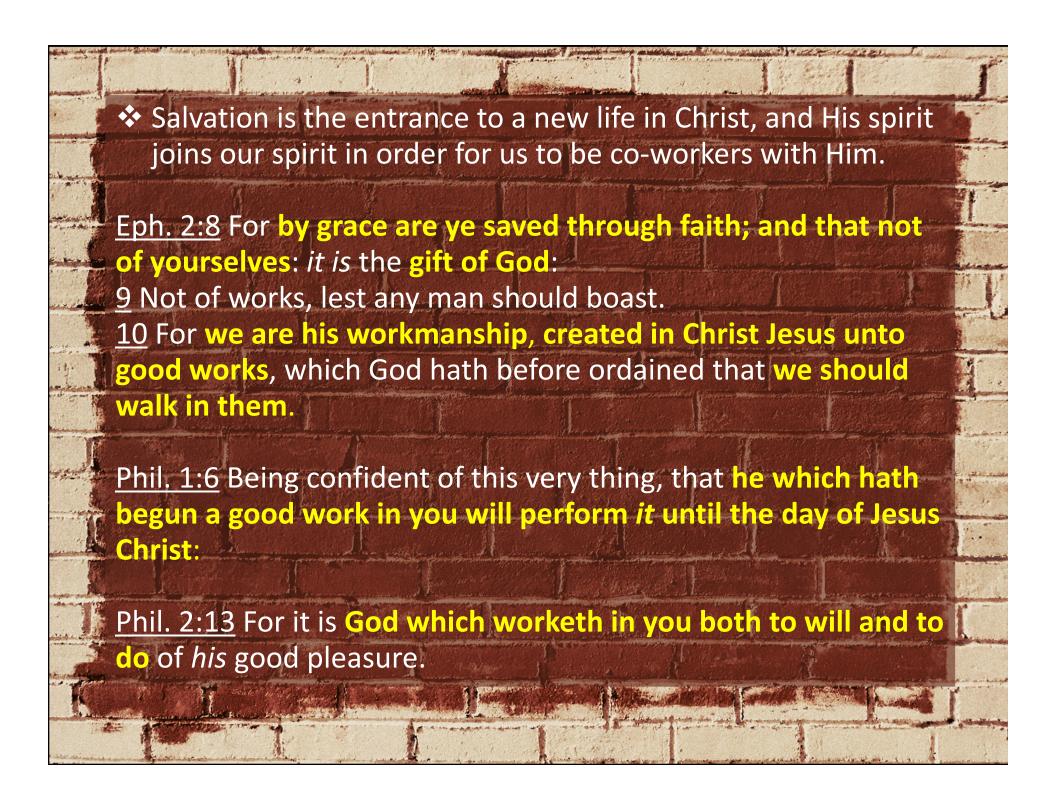
- ❖ Salvation is a result of knowing God, and sanctification is the process of living like God.
- His divine nature, in us, motivates us to live a life resembling Him.

1 Jn 3:9 Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

Rom. 7:18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

Rom. 6:16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?





Rom. 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Jn. 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. ii. The great escape, 1:4c "...having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust." 1 Jn. 5:4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. 5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? Rom. 8:37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

