



The Promise for Growth

I want to [reach my full potential](#)... Don't you?! ...

God's way is perfect. All the LORD's promises prove true. He is a shield for all who look to him for protection. **Psalm 18:30**

God's promises about the *future* gives us [hope to cope](#) today.

God has a goal for you: [Be the best you can be](#)... in CHRIST.

This section in 2 Peter will give us a game plan...

2 Peter 1:1

His name: Simon – Peter –

He identifies himself 1st as a Servant, then as an apostle...

✓ A true [servant leader](#) is the best kind there is.

2 Peter 1:2

Grace = Charis – Grace and peace – a greeting Christians used.

Through the *knowledge* of God and Jesus. *Knowledge* is [epignōsis](#).
= [Personal experiential knowledge](#).

2 Peter 1:3

2 Peter 1:4

Exceeding and precious promises: Like what?

I Corinthians 10:13

How do you share that Divine Nature? [Through the promises!!!](#)

People – It is IMPORTANT for **you** to [discover](#) God's Promises!

2 Peter 1:5

Philippians 2:13

2 Peter 1:5-7

There are a lot of things there for us to [develop](#)!

✓ Check out this: **Ephesians 3:20**

We CAN [do more](#) than you think! We CAN [get better](#) than we are!
We CAN make a [difference](#)! God SAYS SO!

2 Peter 1:8-11

Would you like to experience God's Great Promises?

⇒ **God's Devine nature + Promises + You Put them into practice = Personal [Great Growth](#)**

Next Week: *The Promise of Protection* - Psalm 31:1 Psalm 91:4

May's Memory Verse – *Your promises have been thoroughly tested; that is why I love them so much.*

Monday 5/23- Read 2 Peter 1:1-11

Blessing: *Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.* Vs. 2

Truth: *His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.* Vs. 3

Meditate: 2 Peter 1:8 – *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.*

Prayer: Lord, help me grow in all righteousness and love.

Action: *make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.*

Today I will learn to love God and Others by:

Tuesday 5/24- Read 2 Peter 1:12-21

Question: What personal testimony does Peter share concerning hearing God speak to him?

Truth: *We ourselves heard this voice that came from heaven when we were with him on the sacred mountain.*

Meditate: 2 Peter 1:17– *He received honor and glory from God the Father when the voice came to him from the Majestic Glory, saying, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”*

Prayer: Lord, I pray for an opportunity to share your Word with someone today.

Action: *And I will make every effort to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things.* Vs.15
(Regularly Share what I know about God with others)

What personal Promise or Word from the Lord can I share:

Wednesday 5/25- Read Ephesians 3:14-21

Question: What did Paul pray for the Ephesians?

Truth: *and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.* Vs. 19

Meditate: Ephesians 3:20– *Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,*

Prayer: To God be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen.

Action: Pray that the Lord's church at Gateway will grow in the knowledge and the love of God

I will worship God today by: _____

Thursday 9/12- Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-15

Question: I want to connect people to God. But why is it so hard at times?

Truth: Satan puts out stumbling blocks, we are weak... but... *This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves.*

Meditate: 2 Cor. 4:15- *All of this is for your benefit. And as God's grace reaches more and more people, there will be great thanksgiving, and God will receive more and more glory.*

Prayer: Lord it might be hard at times to connect others to God but I know it is for my benefit and for God's glory to keep on trying. Thank you for never leaving or forsaking me.

Action: *I believed in God, so I spoke.* Psalm 116:10

What God is telling me:

Friday 9/13- Read Matthew 5:13-16

Question: What can I do that will cause others to glorify God?

Truth: *that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.* Vs. 16

Meditate: Hebrews 10:24 - *And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,*

Prayer: Lord, I want my life to be a light for others to see God. Help me to shine brightly.

Action: *Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.* 1 Peter 2:12

What Good deed can I do this weekend:

Life Group Outline- The Promise for Growth

Fellowship and Praises-

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Take **20-35 minutes** to share your written testimonies with each other about receiving a breakthrough, a promise from God or an answered prayer during this Spring semester.

Bible verse memorization: Semester Review

January- 2 Peter 1:2 May God give...

February- Colossians 1:28 We proclaim Him...

March- 2 Chronicles 16:9a For the eyes...

April- Romans 6:23 For the wages...

May- Psalm 119:140 Your promises...

Bible Study Exercise: Read 2 Peter 1:1-11

Why does God want us to grow in our faith, goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, mutual affection and love?

How can my personal knowledge through personal experience with God be more meaningful to someone than what they might learn about God by reading in the bible?

How have you seen God working in you to help you grow more into the likeness of Christ?

Read Ephesians 3:20-21

How is God accomplishing more through me than I ever imagined possible?

Share if God is asking me to trust Him and do something bigger than I think I can accomplish?

Plan a fellowship gathering of your Life group during the summer break.

Prayer Time- remember your 5

Going Deeper: Read Mark 9:1-13

Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!" Vs. 7

Real Application:

God's Devine nature + Promises + Put into Practice = Growth