

# 2 PETER

What does God say  
to a Persecuted  
Church?







# WHAT GOD GIVES THE CHURCH

- 2 Peter 1:2-4
- Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, 3 as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue,
- Life – ZOE – A God quality of life, life as God designed it.

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- 2 Peter 1:4
- by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

# ACT LIKE A CHAMPION

- 2 Peter 1:5-7
- But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, 6 to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness,
- Diligence – Spoude – Move with eagerness, have a business like attitude. Take care of your business.
- Virtue – Moral Excellence (Energy and Power) – That which makes us act like Champions!!!

# ACT LIKE A CHAMPION

- 2 Peter 1:7-9
- to godliness brotherly kindness, and to brotherly kindness love. 8 For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins.

# ACT LIKE A CHAMPION

- 2 Peter 1:10-11
- 10 Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; 11 for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

# THE CHURCH IN TRAINING

- 2 Peter 1:12-13
- 12 For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth. 13 Yes, I think it is right, as long as I am in this tent, to stir you up by reminding you,



# THE CHURCH IN TRAINING

- 2 Peter 1:14-15
- 14 knowing that shortly I must put off my tent, just as our Lord Jesus Christ showed me. 15 Moreover I will be careful to ensure that you always have a reminder of these things after my decease.