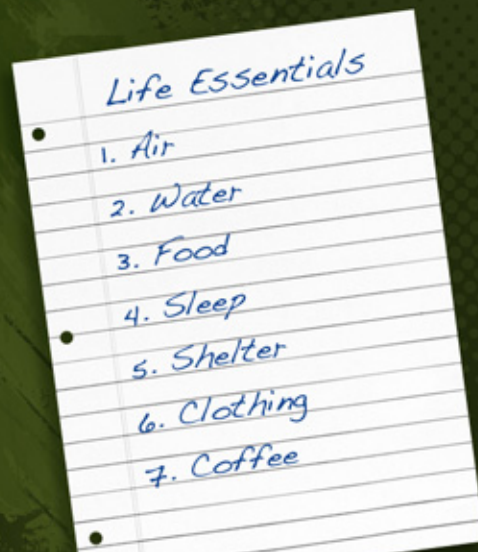


Essential = something basic, something necessary, indispensable, or unavoidable.
—Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary

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¹Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

²May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

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³His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ⁴by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

—2 Peter 1:1-4 ESV

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The knowledge of Christ is the impetus of growth in Christ.

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But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

—2 Peter 3:18 ESV

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God has already provided for each believer all that is needed to live the life He wants us to live. Our life focus must be on “growing,” “working out” or “living out” what God has “put or worked in.”

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| Work | 2 Peter 1:1-21 |
| Watch | 2 Peter 2:1-22 |
| Wait | 2 Peter 3:1-18 |

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⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹not a result of works, so that no one may boast. —Ephesians 2:8-9 ESV

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For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.
—Ephesians 2:10 ESV

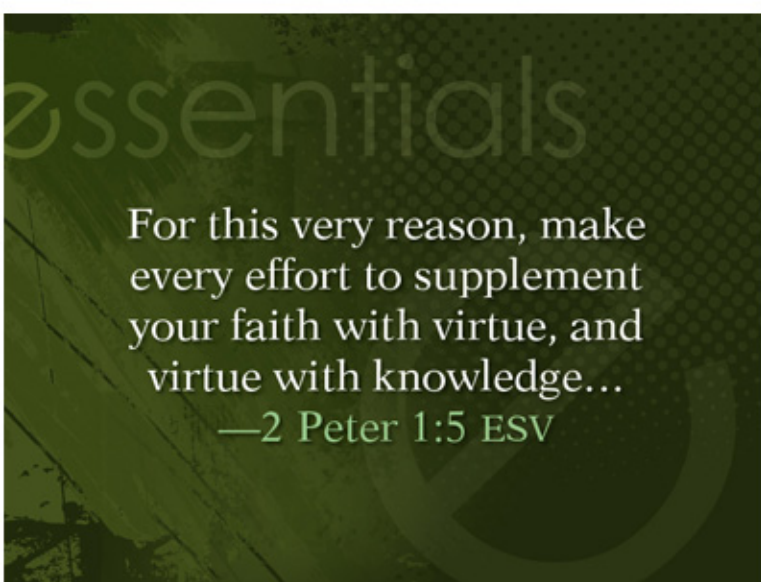
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¹²Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.
—Philippians 2:12-13 ESV

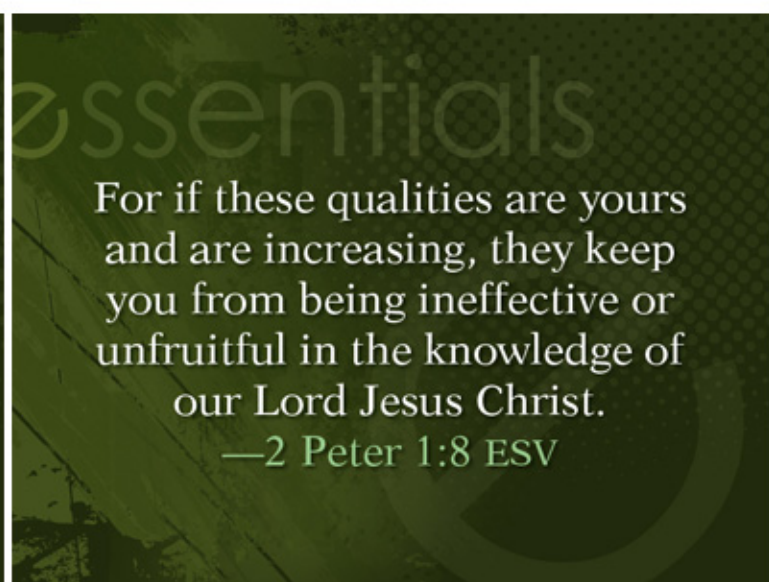
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“Peter forbids us to turn our faith into a fire insurance policy for escaping hell while our lives remain unchanged. The hope of life and the way of godliness stand or fall together.” —J. Piper

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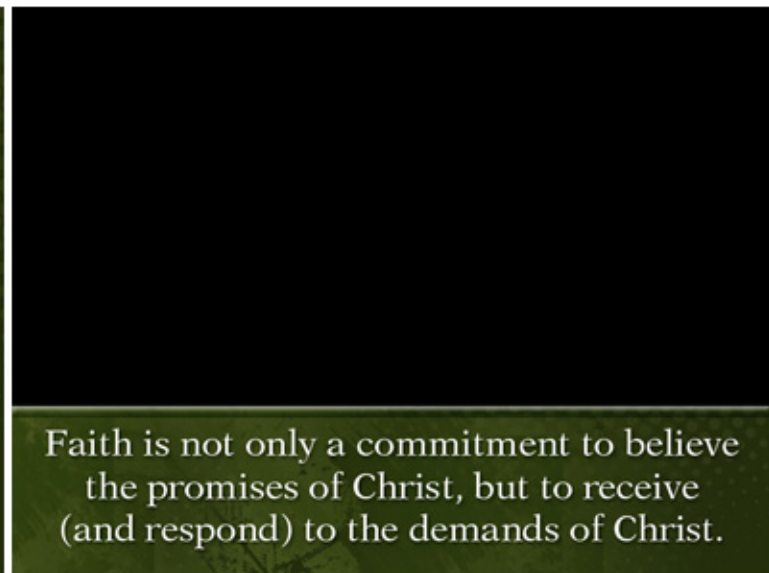
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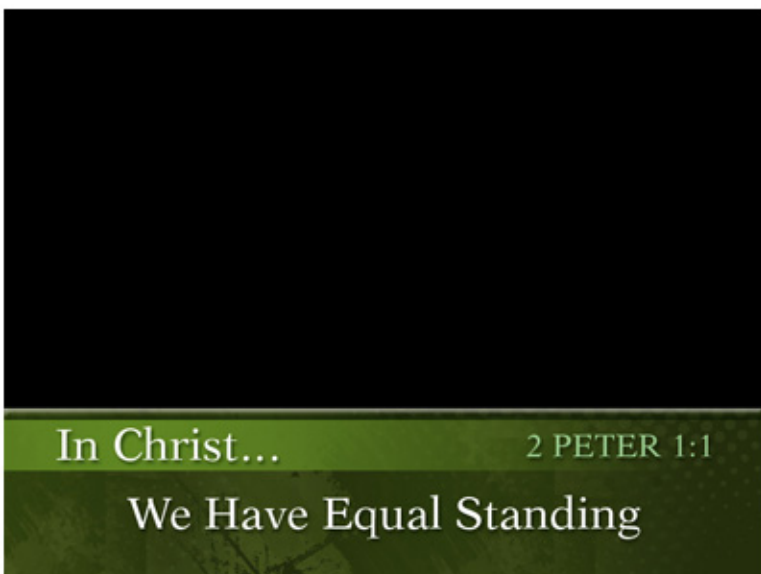
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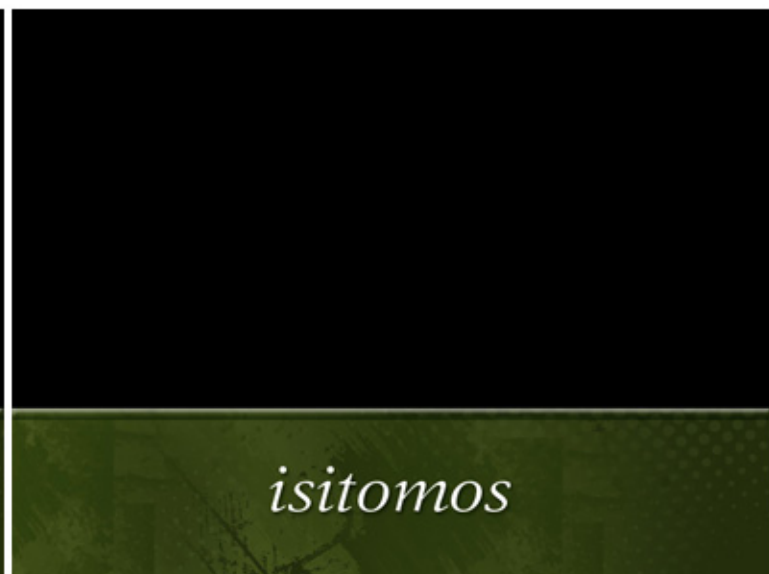
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¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

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³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. —Romans 5:1-5 ESV

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In Christ...

2 PETER 1:3

We Receive Unlimited Potential

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¹⁴What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

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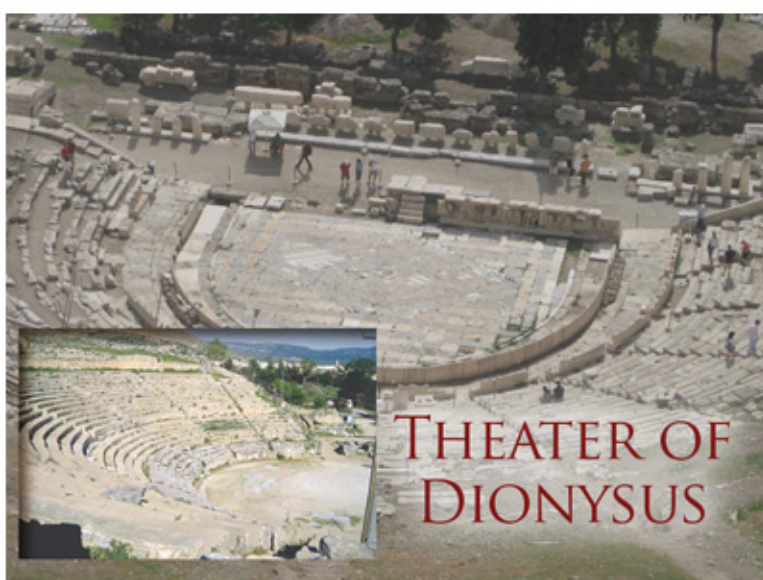
¹⁷So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ¹⁸But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.

—James 2:14-18 ESV

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In Christ... 2 PETER 1:5-8
We Can Live a Life That Matters

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¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. —Romans 12:1-2 ESV

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For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

—2 Peter 1:8 ESV

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| Unified Budget Gifts for January 2010 | 392,637.77 |
| 2020 Vision | 87,801.22 |
| Haiti | 36,959.39 |
| Other | 96,048.61 |
| (Includes Annie Armstrong, Lottie Moon, Swaziland, Scholarship, Memorials, Food Pantry, etc.) | |
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