

**“Zealous For The Truth Series”**  
**Lesson One – “Growing Expectations”**

*II Peter 1:1-7*

*Conquerors Bible Class – Sunday, August 9, 2020*

Today’s Lesson thought can be summed up by asking this simple question...

**“What Are You Zealous For In This Life??”**

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Today’s Lesson Theme Verse is found in this passage of Scripture...

**“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:”**

II Peter 1:3

I : The Introduction – II Peter 1:1 and 2

A: Writer and Readers are seen here in verse 1

- II Peter 1:1-2, I Peter 1:1, Acts 1:8, Acts 2:1-4, Acts 2:5-11

B: Peter’s Greeting to these people in verse 2

- II Peter 1:2, I John 5:11, John 17:3, Philippians 3:10

II : God’s Power and God’s Promises as seen in II Peter 1:3-4

A: Through Divine Power as seen in verse 3

▪ II Peter 1:3

- 1: God’s power is more than adequate for us to attain to the high ground of godly living!
- 2: We, as Christians, are the recipients of inexhaustible resources....God’s own “*DIVINE*” power!
- 3: We as believers are equipped by God to live a godly life, which is what the ‘*Christian life*’ is truly all about!

B: God Gives Precious Promises as seen here in verse 4

- II Peter 1:4, Psalm 77:9-13, I Corinthians 2:9

III : The Fruit of our Faith as seen in verses 5 – 7

A: Faith first, as seen in verse 5a

B: Character Qualities seen in verses 5 – 7

- In these verses we see seven godly character qualities that distinguish the children of God from the children of this present lost and evil world.
- Those ‘*character qualities*’ that are given by God unto God’s children are...
  - 1 – ‘*Virtue*’ - Hebrews 11:6
  - 2 – ‘*Knowledge*’ – I Peter 3:15
  - 3 – ‘*Temperance*’ – I Thessalonians 5:22, James 4:17, Titus 1:8 and 9.
  - 4 – ‘*Patience*’ – Romans 5:3-5, James 1:3, I Corinthians 10:13
  - 5 – ‘*Godliness*’ – I John 3:2-3
  - 6 – ‘*Brotherly Kindness*’ – John 13:34-35, I John 4:20-21, I Corinthians 13:1-8a
  - 7 – ‘*Charity*’ - Ephesians 2:1-7, Romans 5:6-8, Titus 3:3-7, II Peter 1:7, Proverbs 11:30

**CONCLUSION...**

Now let me ask you today...child of God, are you growing spiritually?

Child of God...Are you growing spiritually the way that God wants you to grow??

Dear child of God, are you growing the way God '*expects*' you to grow as His child??

If not, then why not??