



Spiritual Formation Pathway

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. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

For this very reason, 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. 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. II Peter 1:3-8

Discussion Questions

- How would you answer the question “What does it mean to be a Christian?”
- What does it take to become more like Jesus?
- Respond: We are all in the process of being spiritually formed or spiritually malformed.
- Respond: “God’s redemptive work in me makes me less like my natural self and more like Jesus, while also freeing me to become more of who God created me to be.”
- Study Read II Peter 1;3-8 together
 - Observations? Questions? Insights?
 - What does it mean that Peter says God has given us his promises so that we may “participate in the divine nature”?
 - How would you define faith, goodness, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, mutual affection, and love?
 - What does it mean that we possess these qualities “increasing measure”?
- How would you explain the difference between an admirer of Jesus and a rugged disciple of Jesus?
- Where would you place yourself on the pathway: Connect, Grow, Serve, Lead?
- What would you say is your next step?