

# The Great Gift of Christ the Messiah: Salvation

## 2 Peter 01:01–04

**1** *He is the Messiah  
worthy of total devotion*

**2** *He is the Messiah of faith*

- a. A most precious faith
- b. Is, received, not earned
- c. Through the righteousness of God and Christ

**3** *He is the Messiah  
of grace and peace*

- a. An abundance of both
- b. Through knowledge of Him

**4** *He is the Messiah  
of life and godliness*

- a. An abundance: Everything
- b. By His divine power
- c. Through knowledge of Him

**5** *He is the Messiah  
of the divine nature*

- a. By His promises
- b. Purpose:  
To escape corruption

1 Simon Peter,  
a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,  
To those who  
through the righteousness of our God  
and Saviour Jesus Christ  
have received a faith  
as precious as ours:

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

3 His divine power has given us  
everything we need for life and godliness  
through our knowledge of him  
who called us  
by his own glory and goodness.

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

# The Great Things of the Believer's Life

## 2 Peter 01:05–15

### **1 The charge**

***to add "these things" to one's life***

- a. Add goodness
- b. Add knowledge
- c. Add self-control
- d. Add perseverance
- e. Add godliness
- f. Add brotherly kindness
- g. Add Love

### **2 The great power of "these things"**

- a. These things keep you from being barren or unfruitful
- b. These things keep you from being spiritually blind
- c. These things keep you from forgetting that you have been cleansed from your sins
- d. These things keep you from falling
- e. These things give you eternal life and more

5 For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge;

6 And to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness;

7 And to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

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.

9 But if anyone does not have them, he is nearsighted and blind, and has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins.

10 Therefore, my brothers, be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure. For if you do these things, you will never fall,

11 And you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

**3 *The great importance of “these things”***

a. To always preach these things

1) Not to neglect them

2) To preach them although believers are grounded therein

b. To always stir believers about these things, as long as you are alive

c. To see that believers are stirred over these things even after your death

1) To die soon

2) To have a lasting ministry is essential

12 So I will always remind you of these things, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have.

13 I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body,

14 Because I know that I will soon put it aside, as our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me.

15 And I will make every effort to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things.