

2 Peter 1:3-11

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.

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, forgetting 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. participate in divine nature.

1 John 2:15-17

¹⁵ Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. ¹⁶ For everything in the world - the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life - comes not from the Father but from the world. ¹⁷ The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

John 4:31-38

³¹ Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something." ³² But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about." ³³ Then his disciples said to each other, "Could someone have brought him food?" ³⁴ "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. ³⁵ Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. ³⁶ Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. ³⁷ Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. ³⁸ I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor."



1. addONE: Proven & Developed Faith
2. addONE Virtue: Becoming more like Christ in character
Goodness & Knowledge
3. addONE Virtue: Become more like Christ in character
Self-control & Perseverance
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Godliness
5. addONE Virtue: Becoming more like Christ in character
Brotherly kindness & Love
6. addONE Ministry: Becoming more like Christ in service
- 7. addONE Person: Becoming more like Christ in seeking the lost**
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Becoming more like Christ in seeking the lost

We have a tendency to lose sight of the call to _____ & to _____ that which was lost.

NEARSIGHTED AND BLIND

Nearsighted:

Demas:

Col 4:4

Philem 1:24

2 Tim 4:10 "Demas, because he _____, has deserted me..."

1 John 2:15-17

Lust of the flesh:

Lust of the eyes:

Pride of life:

Blind:

How can we 'forget' that we have been cleansed from past sins?

OPEN YOUR EYES

2 Cor 4:18 We fix our eyes on...

Heb 12:2 We fix our eyes on...

1.

2.

3.

Jn 4:35 _____ and look the fields, they are ripe for harvest...

1. Jesus came to seek and to save that which was lost (Luke 19:10). Why do you think that we have a tendency to lose sight of the call to do the same? (Note: make sure to review the whole of the passage, 2 Peter 1:3-11 in your answer)

2. What do you think it means to be spiritually nearsighted?

What do you think it means to be spiritually blind?

How are the two linked?

3. Review the scriptures on Demas. What do you think happened to him that caused him to desert Paul in his hour of need?

4. From 1 John 2:15-17, what are the lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes and the pride of life. (Note: those are the terms used in the KJV).

What is the specific danger of these three in your life?

5. How can we forget that we have been cleansed from past sins?

6. Read 2 Cor 4:18; Heb 12:2. Review the 3 steps that will help us to fix our eyes on the right things. How do they apply in your life?

7. Read John 4:31-38. Rather than being nearsighted and blind, Jesus tells us to 'open our eyes'. From this passage, how does this happen?