

**Objectives:** Through the Father's instruction, the Son's example, and the Holy Spirit's enablement, students should display the following characteristics:

- faith
- goodness
- knowledge
- self-control
- perseverance
- godliness
- brotherly kindness
- love

**Grading:**

- (2 Peter 1:8) *"For if these things are yours and abound, you will be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ."*
- (2 Peter 1:10) *".. for if you do these things you will never stumble;"*
- (2 Peter 1:11) *"for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."*

Through my teaching I can appreciate the awesome job God does in instructing us. .. His Word is a sure, complete textbook. And He never gives up on His students. If you're not enrolled in this class, it's always open. Register today! --

**REFLECTION**

- What qualities from the list in verses [5-7](#) do I need to develop? How can I begin to develop them?
- *Lord, I know that You want me to be victorious in living the Christian life. Teach me the qualities of godliness and help me to show them more and more in my life.*

**The goal of the Christian life is to become like our Teacher.**



# Central Mountains Baptist Church

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### The Course

As a teacher, I have the responsibility to develop a *course description* for each class I teach. For you, the words course description may create a sense of dread. After all, just a few words on a course description (like "Read pages 135-267") can wipe out an entire weekend!

It might be tough for you to feel sorry for us teachers, but I assure you that it's not an easy task. We have to translate objectives into an adequate plan of study. That takes time and effort too!

Suppose we were asked to write a course description for the Christian life. It would be pretty tough, but 2 Peter 1:5-11 offers some clues. The syllabus might look like this:

**Course title:** The Christian Life.

**Instructors:** The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**Textbook:** The Bible (required!).





# 2 Peter: Overcoming Error The Way of Fruitfulness I.

**(Ephesians 1:4-5)** "... He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, ... [5] having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, ..."

**(Acts 11:17-18)** "'If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?' [18] When they heard these things they became silent; and they glorified God, saying, "Then God has also granted to the Gentiles repentance to life.'"

**(Galatians 5:22-23)** "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, [23] gentleness, self-control..."  
2 Peter 1:5-11



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In 2 Peter 1:5-11 Peter says, 'stop coasting and put your foot on the accelerator', in 3 different ways :

**1. Remember your \_\_\_\_\_,**  
Verses 8-9, 13

**(Hebrews 1:3)** "who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,"



**2. Confirm your \_\_\_\_\_,** verses 5-10

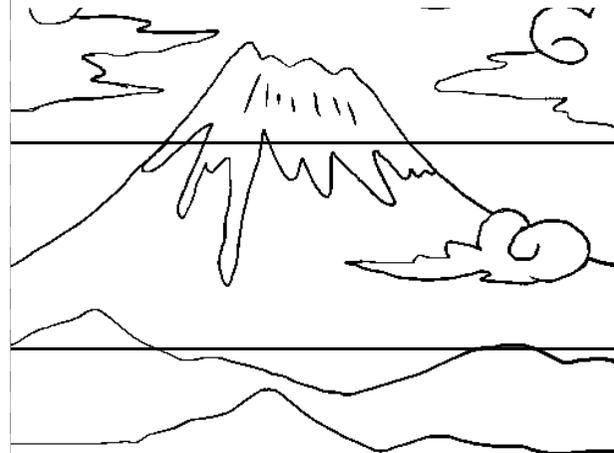


**3. Ensure your \_\_\_\_\_,** verses 5, 9-11

**(1 Corinthians 3:15)** "If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire."

**(Philippians 2:13)** "for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure."

## The Way of Fruitfulness



### The Summit of:

- ◆ Godliness
- ◆ Brotherly kindness
- ◆ Love

### The Hard climb of:

- ◆ Self control
- ◆ Perverserance

### The Foot-Hills of:

- ◆ Faith
- ◆ Virtue
- ◆ Knowledge

