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## Confirming Your Calling

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Text: 2 Peter 1:1 - 15

After vs 2: “Strong Man’s Blessing”

- The benefit here is not simply handed out; rather a sort of cause and effect
- A strong man does not simply enjoy incredible strength. He must live a disciplined life. So I gain the blessing of grace and peace the more I understand and come to know my Saviour, and what He has done for me.

After vs 4: “Soli Deo Gloria”

- Promises: Ezekiel 36: 22, Isaiah 55:10-11, Isaiah 53: 5, Ephesians 1:13-14
- Divine Nature: Ephesians 4: 21-24, John 16: 13-15

After vs 5: “To supplement”

- “Epichoregeo” Greek: to supply, furnish, present
- Other translations include “add to”, “supply”

After vs 9: “Self reflection”

- Is this me?
- Are these qualities developing in my life?
- What might help me grow more in these qualities?

After vs 13: “Repeat, repeat, repeat,.....”

- Peter understands human nature, being a man himself!
- The power of a habit can be crucial to my success in this area!

## 2 Peter 1:1-15

1) Simeon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:

2) May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

3) His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence,

4) by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

5) For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge,

6) and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness,

7) and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.

8) For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9) For whoever lacks these qualities is so near-sighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.

10) Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.

11) For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

12) Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have.

13) I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder,

14) since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me.

15) And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.