

**Words of a Dying Man**  
**Series: While You Wait – 2 Peter Series**

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Today, we embark on Series from 2 Peter.

“Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who through the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ **have received a faith as precious as ours:** <sup>2</sup> Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.”

What would an Apostle who has experienced all he has have to leave for the people of Faith?

**1. Peter Focuses Upon the \_\_\_\_\_**

“So I will always remind you of these things, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have. <sup>13</sup> I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body, <sup>14</sup> because I know that I will soon put it aside, as our Lord Jesus Christ has made clear to me. <sup>15</sup> And I **will make every effort to see that after my departure you will always be able to remember these things.**”

2 Peter 1:12-15

**2. As Christ-followers we have been empowered to Participate in the \_\_\_\_\_.**

“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. <sup>4</sup> 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.”

2 Peter 1:3-4

**3. Christ-followers relentlessly pursue qualities of \_\_\_\_\_**

“**For this very reason**, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; <sup>6</sup> and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; <sup>7</sup> and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. <sup>8</sup> **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.** <sup>9</sup> But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.”

2 Peter 1:5-9

**Conclusion:**

“Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. **For if you do these things, you will never stumble, <sup>11</sup> and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.**” 2 Peter 1:10-11

Do you need realigning? Honing? Sharpening? Will you make every effort & cooperate to change it?

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