Faith Doesn't Stand Around With Its Hands In Its Pockets! Game Plan 2016: Everything We Need For Life And Godliness! Pt.3

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God's Part: His Power And Promises - 2 Peter 1:1-4

2 Peter 1:1, 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: ²Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. ³His 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. ⁴Through 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.

➤ God Has Given Us A Priceless Faith; Grace And Peace Multiplied; Everything We Need For Life And Godliness; And Priceless Promises.

Our Part: Faith And Diligence - 2 Peter 1:5-9

2 Peter 1:5, For this very reason, <u>make every effort to add to</u> your <u>faith goodness</u>; and to goodness, <u>knowledge</u>; ⁶and to knowledge, <u>self-control</u>; and to self-control, <u>perseverance</u>; and to perseverance, <u>godliness</u>; ⁷and to godliness, <u>mutual affection</u>; and to mutual affection, <u>love</u>. ⁸For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being <u>ineffective</u> and <u>unproductive</u> in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

The First Virtue Of Genuine Faith Is Moral Goodness
 2 Peter 1:5, For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness...

 (Micah 6:8, Colossians 3:1-14)

 The Second Virtue Of Genuine Faith Is Increasing KNOWLEDGE

<u>2 Peter 1:5</u>, For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, <u>knowledge</u>... (Colossians 1:9-10, Romans 15:14)

The Third Virtue Of Genuine Faith Is <u>SELF-CONTROL</u>
 2 Peter 1:5, For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶ and to knowledge, <u>self-control</u>...
 (1 Corinthians 9:24-27, 2 Peter 2:1-22)

 The Fourth Virtue Of Genuine Faith Is PERSEVERANCE

<u>2 Peter 1:5</u>, For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, <u>perseverance</u> (Hebrews 12:1-2)

<u>Concluding Thought</u>: <u>Genuine faith</u> is a <u>right belief</u> that results in <u>right behavior</u>.

<u>Biblical Formula: Faith + Effort = Success</u>