## **Richly Blessed**

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. 4 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.

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, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, 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. (2 Peter 1:3-8, NIV)

God has used His power

to give you everything you need to live a godly life. EVERYTHING.

What a magnificent promise! The evil you see all around you is not His future for you.

He has made a long list of such promises with this goal in view:

that we might share in God's own character. He has promised that we will be like Him.

That is the glorious possibility held out before us. So take an active part in His work in you.

Do all you can to

add to your faith

the Christlike virtues.

Add to these virtues

increasing knowledge;

to increasing knowledge,

self-control;

to self-control,

patient endurance;

to patient endurance,

godliness,

kindness, and

love.

All these glorious blessings
are His future for you.

Keep in step with His Spirit
as He grows them in you.

They are His magnificent plan for
an eternity of joyful, loving fellowship with you.

**Hymn: Richly Blessed** 

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