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before  
Putting on!**




# Romans 12:1-2 NIV

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- Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

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- ➡<sup>2</sup> Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.


# 2 Peter 1:3-11 NIV

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- ➡ 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,

# 2 Peter 1:3-11 NIV

- ▶ having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.
- ▶ <sup>5</sup> 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.


# 2 Peter 1:3-11 NIV



➡<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 1:3-11 NIV



➡ <sup>10</sup> 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.





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- Growing into the likeness of Christ takes renewing of the mind.
  - To please God means having the mind of Christ.
  - We cannot cover the acts of the old nature by putting on a charade of holiness and hope the old will eventually drop off. They need to be put off, and replaced by putting on the new nature.

# Building on our faith is our responsibility

## 7 qualities to add to our faith

- ➡ Goodness, virtue, uprightness
- ➡ Knowledge
- ➡ Self-control
- ➡ Perseverance (patience)
- ➡ Godliness, piety (reverence)

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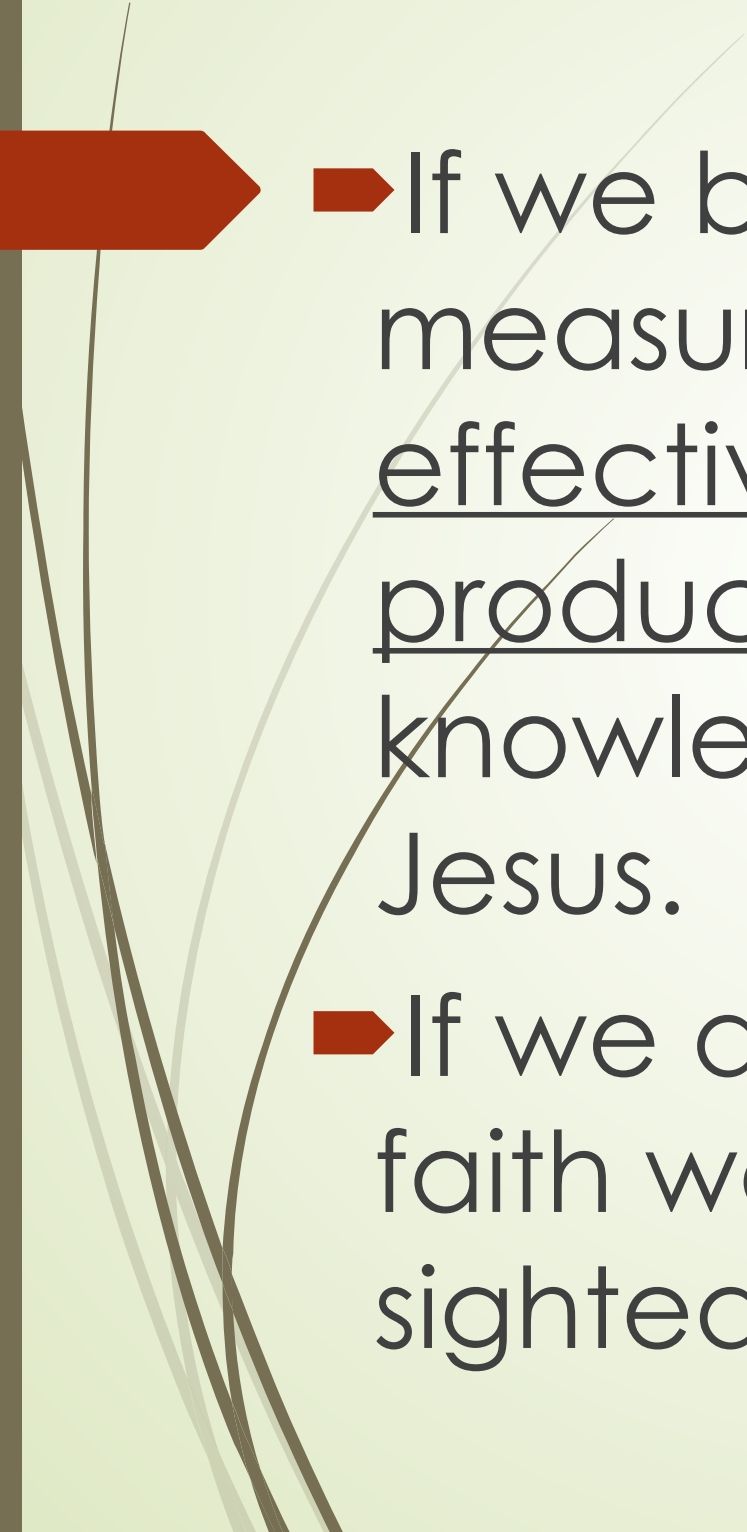


7 qualities to add to our faith

➡ Brotherly love

➡ Love - see 1 Cor 13

# Building on our faith is essential


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- ➡ If we build in increasing measure, it will make us effective and productive in our knowledge of the Lord Jesus.
  - ➡ If we don't build on our faith we "are near-sighted and blind"



# Building on our faith gives us assurance

## 2 Promises

- ➡ We will never stumble (fail)
- ➡ Count on a warm welcome into the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ



“Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable —if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.”

Phil 4:8



**Have a happy and  
safe New Year**

