

"We today lack a theology of growth. And so we need to learn how we grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior. In particular, we need to learn to cooperate with the means of grace that God has ordained for the transformation of human personality." — Richard Foster

⁵ For this very reason, <u>make every effort to add to your</u> <u>faith</u> 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 <u>if</u> you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

¹⁰ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For <u>if</u> you do these things, you will never stumble,

^{1:11} and you will receive <u>a rich welcome</u> into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (NIV)

^{1:11} Then God will give you a grand entrance into the eternal Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (NLT)