

PILGRIM'S PROGRESS

2 Peter 1:1-11

I. INTRODUCTION: WHAT'S IN A NAME? (1A)

“Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ...”

A. SAND man (Luke 22:31; John 21:15)

B. ROCK man (John 1:42; Acts 4:8)

- Jesus' description of Simon's future strength of character became his personal name. Jesus named him what he **would** become by the grace of God. The same is true of you. (Romans 4:17)
- “servant” (humility) “apostle” (dignity)

“TRAVELING ON A WING”

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PLENTIFUL PROVISIONS (1-4)

To those who have received a **faith** of the same kind as ours, by the righteousness of our God and Savior, Jesus Christ:² **Grace** and **peace** be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord;³ seeing that His divine **power** has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who **called** us by His own glory and excellence.⁴ For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent **promises**, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* **divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

II. PLENTIFUL PROVISIONS: TRAVELING ON A “WING” (1B-4)

A. Divine **FAITH** - Like Emily’s Leap
(Acts 13:48; John 6:37)

B. Divine **GRACE** - Unlimited Assistance
(John 1:16; 2 Corinthians 12:9-10)

C. Divine **PEACE** - Worrywart Cream
(Philippians 4:6-7; Isaiah 26:3-4)

D. Divine **POWER** - To Walk on Water
(Psalm 18:1; Ephesians 1:19-20)

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E. Divine **CALLING** - Attracted and Adopted
(Romans 8:30)

F. Divine **PROMISES** - Steppingstones to Heaven
(Joshua 23:14-15)

G. Divine **PRESENCE** - Christ in You
(John 14:20)

➤ With our backpacks Divinely stocked, we are ready to make...

PURPOSEFUL PROGRESS (5-7)

⁵ Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply **moral excellence**, and in *your* moral excellence, **knowledge**,⁶ and in *your* knowledge, **self-control**, and in *your* self-control, **perseverance**, and in *your* perseverance, **godliness**,⁷ and in *your* godliness, **brotherly kindness**, and in *your* brotherly kindness, **love**.

“APPLYING ALL DILIGENCE” (5)



III. PURPOSEFUL PROGRESS: CHRISTIANITY CULTIVATED (5-7)

A. The VALOR of David. (1 Sam. 17:48)

B. The KNOWLEDGE of Solomon. (Col. 1:10)

C. The SELF-CONTROL of Joseph. (1 Cor. 9:27)

D. The ENDURANCE of Job. (James 5:11)

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E. The GODLINESS of Daniel. (1 Timothy 4:8)

F. The KINDNESS of Jonathan. (Eph. 4:32)

G. The LOVE of Paul. (Romans 9:1-3)

- Advancing in the pathway of true discipleship, we will avoid...

PERILOUS PITFALLS (8-9)

⁸ For if these *qualities* are yours and are increasing, they render you neither **useless** nor **unfruitful** in the true knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For he who lacks these *qualities* is **blind or short-sighted**, having **forgotten his purification from his former sins**.

IV. PERILOUS PITFALLS: ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST (8-9)

A. Spiritually USELESS (2 Tim. 4:10)

B. Spiritually FRUITLESS (John 15:2)

C. Spiritual MYOPIA (1 John 1:7)

D. Spiritual AMNESIA (Titus 3:5-7)

➤ ...and experience all God desires for us in TIME and ETERNITY !

PRECIOUS PROSPECTS (10-11)

¹⁰ Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about **His calling and choosing you**; for as long as you practice these things, you will **never stumble**; ¹¹ for in this way **the entrance** into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be **abundantly supplied to you**.

V. PRECIOUS PROSPECTS: WELL DONE AND WELCOME HOME (10-11)

A. A RESIDENT Witness (Rom.8:16)

B. A RIGHTEOUS Walk (Prov. 4:18)

C. A RICH Welcome (Luke 19:17)

- The Sovereign LORD is my strength; He makes my feet like the feet of a deer, He enables me to go on the heights. (Hab. 3:19)



WHEN IT'S ALL SAID AND DONE...



His master said to him,
'Well done, good and
faithful slave. You were
faithful with a few things,
I will put you in charge
of many things; enter
into the joy of your
master.'

Matthew 25:21