

**HOW TO KNOW IF YOU HAVE A USEFUL AND FRUITFUL  
RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LORD JESUS CHRIST: Part 1**  
2 Peter 1:5-7

- I. *Review:* **REMEMBER AND BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE EVERYTHING WE NEED ALREADY** through the true knowledge of Him by His Word (5a, 2-4)
  
- II. **OBEY THE LORD, UNDERSTANDING HOW WHAT HE HAS FULLY SUPPLIED IS TO BE WORKED OUT IN OUR LIVES: Diligently work out (obey) by faith these things (5-7)**
  - A. **We are thus COMMANDED TO** in our faith, **DILIGENTLY SUPPLY THESE THINGS** in our lives (5a)
    1. *Thus, we are commanded* in the context of faith to diligently add, furnish and increase these things (5a)
  
    2. It takes effort, **we are to be diligent** in it (5a)
  
    3. Yet, this effort **is by faith, in the context of His Word and a true relationship with Him** (5a, 2-4)
  
  - B. **WHAT THINGS** are we **TO ADD** and **BE INCREASING IN?** (Note their order and interdependence) (5b-7)
    1. Moral Excellence (5b)
  
    2. Knowledge (5b)
  
    3. Self-control (6a)
  
    4. Perseverance (6b)
  
    5. Godliness (6b)
  
    6. Brotherly Kindness (7a)
  
    7. Love (7b)