FOR THIS REASON

II PETER 1:5-8

How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)

BACKGROUND: Previously you learned that through an increasing knowledge you have grace, precious promises, and you can participate in the divine nature. In Luke 10:38-42, Mary made a choice to sit at Jesus' feet to learn from Him. You, like Mary, need to make the choice to add to your faith to be like Jesus. This lesson can help you to do that.

GOD DID HIS PART. God, through Jesus Christ, has given you a perfect and complete salvation. ((II Peter 1:3-4, fn 1:3-4, Ephesians 1:18-20, fn 1:19-20, Titus 3:3-7, fn 3:4-8, Romans 8:14-17, fn 8:14-17[2nd], II Corinthians 1:21-22, fn 1:21-22) How do you know God did His part in your salvation?

NOW, YOU DO YOUR PART. With Christ in you, His divine nature, you can add to your faith by humbly meeting daily with Jesus at the cross, confessing sin and enjoying His overwhelming love. As you open His written Word, the Bible, you experience by faith the presence of the Author! (II Peter 1:5-7, fn 1:3-4, fn 1:5-9, Matthew 6:6, fn 6:5-6, Hebrews 4:12, fn 4:12, Hebrews 4:14-16, fn 4:16, Romans 8:26-29, fn 8:29) Why is it important for you to come boldly before your Lord each day?

MAKE EVERY EFFORT to carve out a time each day to spend time with Jesus, one on one. This time may be one of the hardest events to establish in your life, but it is where adding to your faith begins and your life in Christ can become meaningful, fruitful, abundant, and rewarding. (II Peter 1:8, Matthew 14:23, fn 14:23, Luke 5:15-16, fn 5:16, John 15:5-8, fn 15:5-8, Ephesians 1:16-17, fn 1:16-17, Mark 1:35-37, fn 1:35-37) How will you carve out time each day to meet with just the Lord in the Scriptures?

Are you taking time to experience the presence of the Holy Spirit with the Living Word teaching you and giving you His joy, His love, and His peace?

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