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# Adding to Your Faith <sup>part 6</sup>

## How To Be Godly

1:3 His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. 4 Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires. 5 For this very reason, ***make every effort to add to your faith*** goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; 6 and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, ***godliness***; 7 and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. 8 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. 9 But if anyone does not have them, he is nearsighted and blind, and has forgotten that he has been cleansed from his past sins. 10 Therefore, my brothers, be all the more eager to make your calling and election sure. For if you do these things, you will never fall, 11 and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. (NIV)

1. Think \_\_\_\_\_

2. Do \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do \_\_\_\_\_

# Application Questions

*These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. It is recommended that you take time this week to write out your response to each of these questions. This will help to drive home the point of today's message and will help you apply the principles to your life situation.*

1. All of this talk about being “godly” is meaningless and even frustrating for one who has not surrendered his or her life to Jesus Christ. Are you confident that you have truly repented of your sin (a life oriented toward *you* and your idols) and put your full and complete confidence in Christ as your *only hope* of acceptance before your Creator? If so, when? *(If not, do it now.)*
2. Think for a moment as to which words people might use to describe you. List them.

Which of the words listed above are diametrically opposed to who you desire to be in your pursuit of godliness? What needs to be done to eradicate these kinds of words from your reputation? What needs to change in your life so that you don't rightly earn them back?

Which of the words you listed are valued in our society but *are not* the words you would hope to be known for or remembered by? Are there some investments of time and energy that need to be realigned or re-allotted in light of this realization? *(Don't be afraid to think “out of the box”. Maybe there are some major life-adjustments that God is calling you to make!)*

3. How much of your thought life is focused on God? Estimate how much time that you actually ponder God in a 24-hour period. Read Psalm 63:6 in its context. What clues are there in the verses surrounding verse 6 that give you some direction as to how you can be more like David in pondering God more often?
4. What can be done by way of reminder to keep your motives inline with Colossians 3:23?
5. What area of your life could use a practical lesson on “How God would handle this”? Can you think of any example from the life of Christ that may be somewhat related to your situation? If so, look it up, study it. What godly man or woman do you know who may have been through a similar situation? Call them and discuss your situation.