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Colos 2:6-10 "complete" (pleroo) full; supply abundantly; that with which someone is filled and supplied. Relative to this verse: (1) In Christ, the work of salvation has been completed and there is nothing left for the individual to do to become more born again; (2) Everything about and which accompanies salvation has been made readily available by Christ for the one who has accepted Him as Savior.

Philip 2:12 "work out" (katergazomai) in this verse, the image of "do what is necessary to bring forth the salvation which is in you so it becomes the essence of your daily life."

James 1:21-25 V21 Why tell Christians to receive that which, according to some, is already within? Salvation (born again) is an experience and an event; it is the new birth. It is after being born again that the Word must be received and engrafted, or infused, into the heart of a Believer ("let the Word be engrafted").

2 Peter 1:1-11

- * V2 "multiplied" (plethuno) - make full; increase; to abound
- * V2 "knowledge" (epignosis) - knowledge gained by experience with, thorough participation with, personal association with and intimate fellowship with the subject noted (which, in this case, is God). It is *impossible* to gain epignosis through merely an academic approach.

- * V3 "hath given unto us" - has already given us access to in the sense of total ownership.
- * V3 "all things" (pas, same as holos, from which we get the word "holistic") - totality; complete; the whole; nothing lacking.
- * V3 "life" (zoe) - depending on the context, spiritual or soulish (psuche) or physical life.
- * V3 "godliness" (eusebeia) - the image of the attributes of God.
- * V3 "virtue" (arte) - the essential character of God.

- * V4 "Whereby" {as in, "It is by His divine power..."} }
- * V4 "exceeding great" - similar to Ephesians 3:20
- * V4 "promises" (epageima) - proclamations; declarations {this is a declaration of an irrefutable truth, not a mere promise of a future event}.

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- * V4 “partakers” (koinonos) - a joint partner or companion
- * V5 We are the one who give diligence to add these things; they don’t simply happen by a sovereign move of God and His grace. (Philippians 2:12 "work out" and James 1:21 "receive with meekness the engrafted Word."
- * V5 The faith spoken of is the foundational act of believing in and accepting Jesus as Savior. In a variation, it could say, “Go beyond the new birth and diligently seek the development of these qualities.”
- * V5 “knowledge” (gnosis) - intellectual knowledge; knowledge gained by the study of a subject. In this passage, it is the study of what has been revealed in verses 2-4, the Christian life. See 2 Timothy 2:15. When you study the Bible with an open, teachable heart, coupled with intent and purpose, two things happen: (1) You increase in your experience with God and, (2) your knowledge of Him.
- * V6 "temperance" (egkrateia) - self-control
- * V6 "patience" (hupomone) - persevere and refusal to succumb in adverse circumstances and trials.
- * V6 "godliness" (eusebeia) - the image of the attributes of God.
- * V7 "brotherly kindness" (philadelphia) - love for Christians {see 1 John 2:7-11, 4:7-11, 20-21}
- * V7 "charity" (agape) - God's love operating in, flowing through and dominating the life of a Christian.
- * V8 "abound" (pleonazo) - have much; more than enough; the image of these things dominating in the life of a Christian.
- * V8 "barren" (argos) - without work; idle; inactive; {as in, God will put you to work."}
- * V10 “for if ye do...” vs “for if ye have a revelation...” {James 1:21-25}
- * V10-11 if ye do, never fall; if you don’t, may "fall" (ptaio) - fall into sin; potential fall away from God {see Matt 24:11, 24, 13}