The Well-Orchestrated Life

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INTRODUCTION

- Wisdom is the ability to apply a given amount of knowledge to a given set of circumstances so as to effect the best end for everybody concerned.
- Wisdom is the ability to see the end of the thing from the beginning.
- The smallest amount of wisdom is very important for living life.

1 2 Peter, the Book of Hope

2 Peter 1:21

- The book of 2 Peter has been called the book of hope.
- It stimulates us to seek after godliness. He says, the Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptation.
- This word of God is the word that came from God through his servants, in order that we might have the knowledge that we need to handle any life situation.

2 All Things That Pertain to Life and Godliness

2 Peter 1:3

- God has given us all things that pertain to godliness. That is, how to live a life which corresponds to our confession of faith. That's practical religion.
- There is no real value to just dissecting the passages if there's never any application of them.
- It is not just knowing, but a knowledge that is directed toward an object gradually getting nearer and nearer.

3 Exceeding Great and Precious Promises

2 Peter 1:4

- Our hope, ladies and gentlemen, is predicated on the promises of God.
- I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God. I don't ever expect to entertain any doubt about that.
- They are exceeding great because of who gave them. They are precious because of what they provide for us.

4 Partakers of the Divine Nature

2 Peter 1:4

- That does not say that you will be a partaker of deity. You can't be deity.
- You can be lovely because he is lovely. You can be kind because he is kind.
- Partakers of the divine nature means that we are fit associates for the presence of God Himself.

- If you develop an intimate association with his word, you will develop an intimate association with him.

5 Giving All Diligence

2 Peter 1:5

- Give diligence. What that says, ladies and gentlemen, is to proceed with a personal effort.
- It not only must be a personal effort, but it must be a constant effort.
- And there must be tireless zeal. Tireless zeal. The kind of zeal that does not fatigue.
- I'm going to regularly, persistently do what God said to do.

6 Add: A Well-Orchestrated Life

2 Peter 1:5–7

- It means to orchestrate. It means to cultivate. It means that you make your life into something very special.
- Faith is at the base of all we do. It is the thematic. Everything is added to it.
- Faith is what stands under our hope. Without faith, there is no hope.
- It is moral fiber. It is the energy for translating your faith into courage without regard to consequences.
- It's the ability to secure a right course and then proceed accordingly. It means that you know where you're going.
- It's having reins on your passions. It's being the governor of yourself. It is self-discipline.

MY NOTES