

GROWING IN CHRIST

STUDIES IN 2 PETER



FROM SMALL CONES TO MIGHTY SPRUCES

*His divine power has given us everything
we need for life and godliness...*



WHERE?

WHO?

WHAT?

WHY?

WHEN?

HOW?

Peter wants to assert simple truths about:

- the authority of God's Word
- the importance of knowing Jesus
- the certainty of Christ's coming again
- the need to grow and remain steadfast in faith

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God and Savior Jesus Christ have received a faith
as precious as ours: Grace and peace be yours in
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Jesus our Lord.*

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2 Peter 1:1-3a

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2 Peter 1:1,2

[Paul's] letters contain some things that are hard to understand, which ignorant and unstable people distort.

2 Peter 3:16

*His divine power has given us everything
we need for life and godliness... (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. Through these (*his glory and goodness*) he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them (*his very great and precious promises*) you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

2 Peter 1:3,4

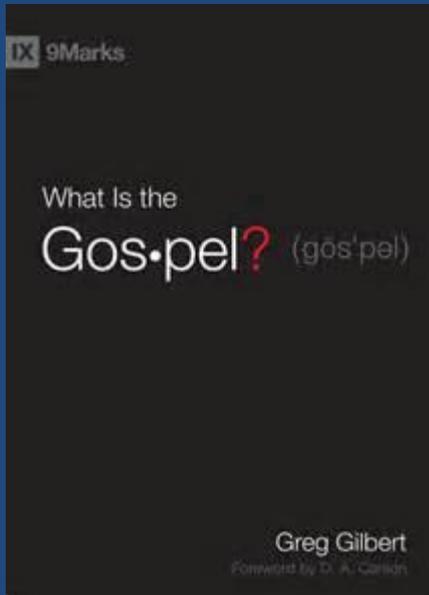
...through our knowledge of him (1:3)

This is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.

John 17:3

...his very great and precious promises (1:4)

Greg Gilbert



“...forgiveness of sins, adoption as God’s children, relationship with Jesus, the gift of the Holy Spirit, freedom from sin’s tyranny, the fellowship of the church, the final resurrection and glorification of the body, inclusion in God’s kingdom, the new heavens and new earth, eternity in God’s presence, seeing his face.”

*... you may participate in the divine nature
(1:4)*

*If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father
will love him, and we will come to him and make our
home with him.*

John.14:23

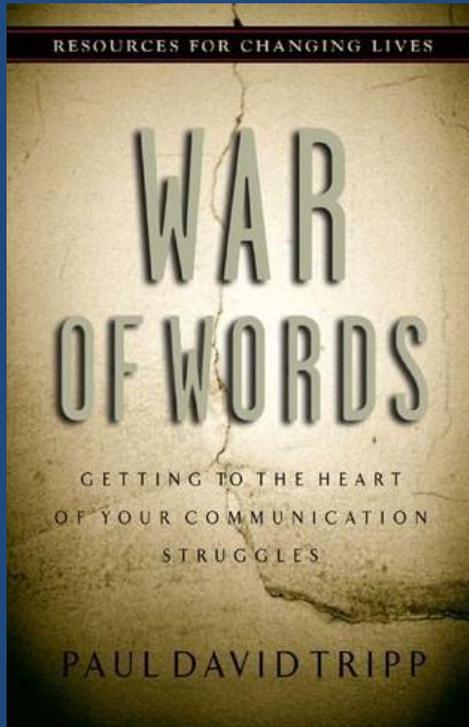
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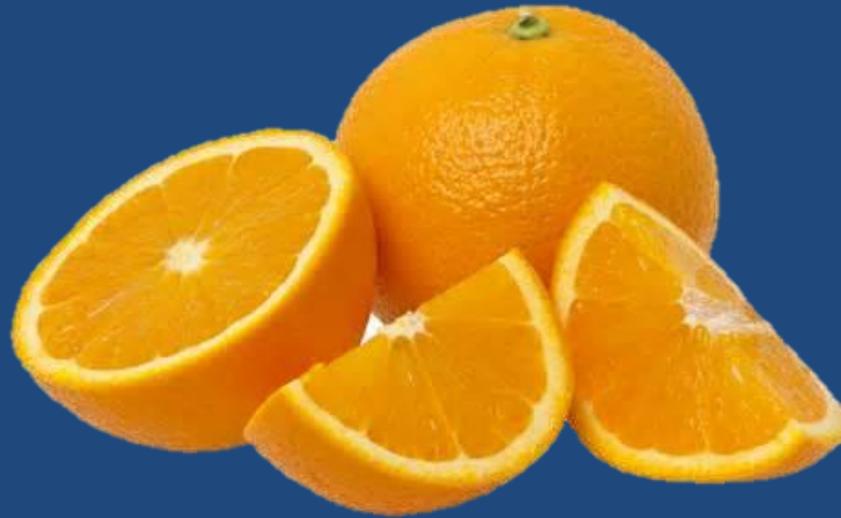
*My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is
made perfect in weakness.*

2 Cor. 12:9

Paul David Tripp



“God... understands that our sin has rendered us powerless, and that we will not know what we need to know and cannot do what we need to do apart from him. **So he has unzipped us and got inside us by his Spirit.** His inconceivable power is within us! And it is not only within, it is at work!”



...godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

1 Tim.6:6-8

*faith, goodness, knowledge, self-control,
perseverance, godliness, brotherly kindness and
love.*

(from 2 Peter 1:5-7)

life and godliness... (1:3)

Paul David Tripp



“We have all been given different personalities that help and hinder us in various ways. But this is the point... the Holy Spirit was given so that we can do the will of God even though we are sinners in a fallen world. His power is at work within us! **We can [live] to God’s standard and according to his design because he lives within us with mighty, active power.”**

- *His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness*
- *Through (his glory and goodness) he has given us his very great and precious promises*
- *Through (his very great and precious promises) you may participate in the divine nature*