



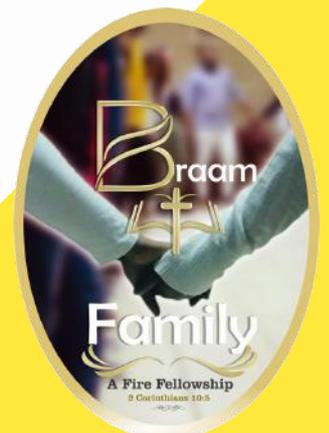
DIVINE NATURE

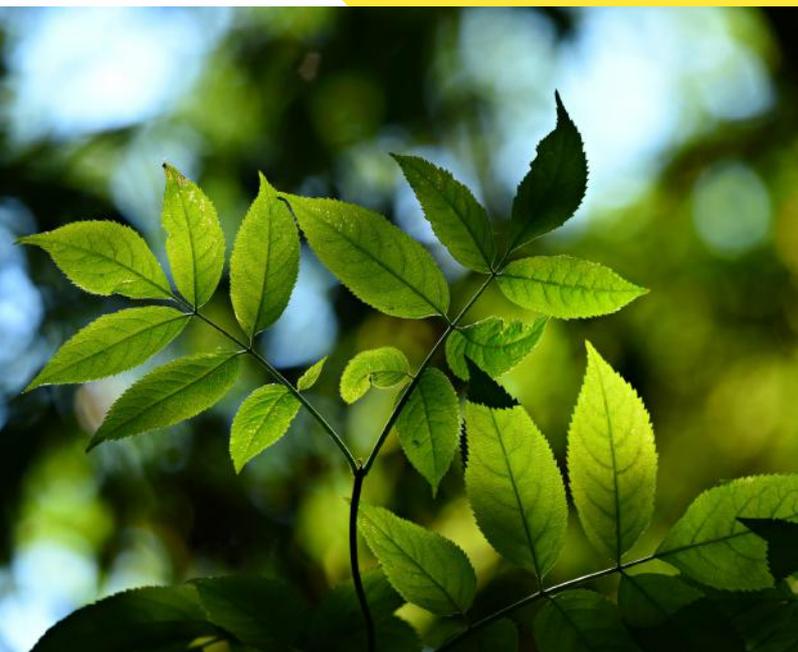
God has given us all things that we need to live a Godly life on earth, but only through the knowledge of Christ. We have obtained great and precious promises in Christ alone who has allowed us to share in his glory and this will be discovered throughout this exhortation.

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The promises that we have obtained in Christ help us live a holy life and partake in God's divine nature. These great and precious promises allow us to participate in the divine nature by running away from sin. This means that we begin to exhibit traits of God hence we become like God. Christ was the full manifestation of God on earth, so He displayed God to man, and we are introduced to the nature of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit (Colossians 2:9).

John 1:18 says that no one has seen God, but Christ was able to reveal to us who God was, therefore if I become like Christ I am automatically like God. We have become participants of God's nature through his precious promises by escaping the corruption of this world. The Apostle Peter makes us understand in 2 Peter 1, that the corruption of this world disqualifies us from sharing the nature of God. When you analyse characteristics such as virtue, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness.





We can also look at kindness and love, these characteristics allow you to know Christ more and to live a godly life on earth and escape worldliness. And evidently, the lack of these characteristics causes us to stumble and fall. For if we look at these characteristics carefully, they depict the fruits of the Holy Spirit that are mentioned in Galatians 5: 22-23. The Spirit of God produces these fruits in us so we may escape the corruption of this world and live a life pleasing to God.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we attain holiness as God is holy. We are enabled to produce love as God is love. We have received power from the Holy Spirit, and we can be witnesses all through the end of the world, and that displays the powerful nature of God. In our divine nature through the Holy Spirit, we can express the power and attributes of God but only if we allow Holy Spirit to do it through us. We allow him to continuously do so by maintaining a relationship with him because that's how He is given room. The quality of your relationship with the Holy Spirit will determine how much Christ is revealed through your life.

Communion with the Holy Spirit is like communion with your friend for He is a person, the same way you share your ideas, interest, and many aspects of your life with a friend is the same way you can share them with the Holy Spirit. Therefore, don't grieve him, but rather share your life with him. The Bible says to walk by the spirit and not by the flesh. The one way we can share our lives with him is by listening to him and allowing him to direct our lives. Get rid of all bitterness, rage or anything that makes the Holy Spirit grieve. If these characteristics grieve him, then the contrary allows the Holy Spirit to manifest in us fully.

Creation waits for the manifestation of sons and daughters of God, and through our consecration to Christ, we will be able to display the person of Jesus. By crucifying your flesh daily, you can show off Jesus at work, school, in your family, and everywhere you go. But note that it takes surrender. Surrender to the help of the Holy Spirit. Surrender to live a life worthy of your calling, and that is to walk in holiness.