Finally, let's get practical. Read 2 Peter 1:3-9.
What does it say God has done for you?

Can you find two ways God has given this to you?

What do you think he means when he says, *"through them you may participate in the divine nature?"*

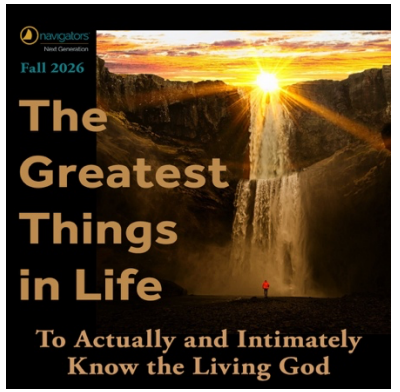
Fill in the ladder faith below with the steps Peter outlines in the passage. Then pray and ask God for ONE STEP He wants you to exercise this week.

Steps of Faith	How will I exercise to "add" this to my life? *(be specific!)* Write out a simple prayer to God for help with it.

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The Greatest *POWER*!



*For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine **power** to demolish strongholds.*
— 2 Corinthians 10:3-4

*But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my **power** is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's **power** may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong. — 2 Corinthians 12:9-10*

What strikes you most about *this* ***POWER* from each of the verses above?**

2 Corinthians 10:3-4	*2 Corinthians 12:9-10*

Is that what you usually think when you think about having ***POWER***? Why or why not?**

So, where does *this* ***POWER* come from, and what is it good for?**

Read Ephesians 3:14-21. Use colored pencils/pens to mark the passage —

- Put a **red box** around the word ***power*** wherever you find it
- Put a **green box** around anywhere you see the ***source*** of that power
- Put a **purple circle** around ***purpose*** words *(for, so that, therefore, to …)*
- **Underline in purple** the ***why*** that follows each of those ***purpose*** words

Summarize what you found in your own words …

Is there more? **Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-18**. Again, let's mark the passage —

- Put a **red box** around things that seem ***unpleasant***/***hard***/***bad*** 😟😖😩
- Put a **blue circle** around the word ***but*** or ***yet*** wherever you find it 🤔😳
- Put a **green box** around the ***good*** that contrasts with the ***bad*** 😮🙂☺️
- Put a **purple circle** around ***purpose*** words *(for, so that, therefore, to …)*
- **Underline in purple** the ***why*** that follows each of those ***purpose*** words

Again, summarize in your own words your 1 main takeaway from this …

At this point, what would you say *this* ***POWER* can do for you?**

Now, read Luke 12:4-12. OK, it's a hard passage. Jesus tells us about some ***eternal*** and ***present*** effects of His ***POWER*** and how to begin to tap into it.

- Put a **red box** around things that seem ***wrong***/***hard***/***bad***
- **Underline in red** the ***judgments that follow rejecting Him***
- Put a **blue circle** around any ***commands*** you find
- **Underline in green** the ***judgments & promises that follow trusting Him***
- Put a **green box** around the ***things that tap into those good promises***

Again, summarize in your own words your 1 main takeaway from this …

Why is it good to ***FEAR* God?**

What is Jesus saying ***He* has ***POWER*** to do ***for*** you – ***now*** and ***eternally***?**

Before we look at *HOW* to *LIVE* in *this* *POWER*, an important warning — **Read 2 Timothy 3:1-5**. With what you've read so far, **what do you think he means by "*having a form of godliness but denying its POWER?*"**

OK, let's get into ***HOW* to tap into *this* ***POWER***. Read Ephesians 6:10-18. What do we ***really*** need ***POWER*** for?**

What's the ultimate outcome if you exercise *this* ***POWER?*

What elements *(pieces of armor)* are necessary to exercise this ***POWER?* How can each one make ***YOU*** a winner in ***LIFE?***

Piece of Armor	Element of Faith	How it makes ME victorious? *(be specific!)*

What do you need to do with each piece of armor *(element of faith)?*