

# Partakers of the Divine Nature

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## ▶ Slaves

- To be a slave means that:
  - We are possessed by God
  - We are at the disposal of God
  - We must obey God
  - We must be constantly in the service of God

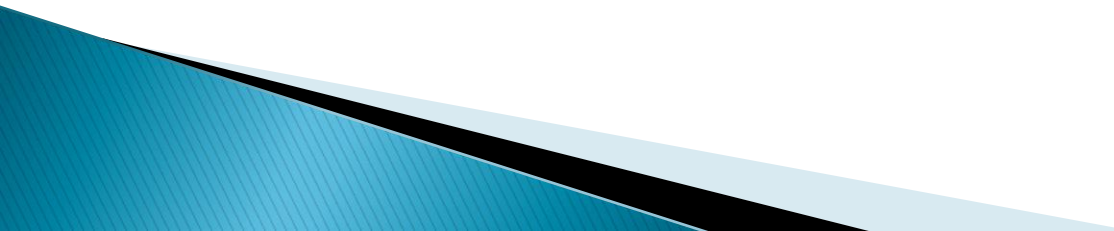
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## ▶ **Apostles**

- To qualify you must have seen the Lord  
(Acts 1:21-22)

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## ▶ **Blessed**

- Obtained a precious faith through the righteousness of Christ
  - Have all things that pertain to life and godliness
  - Have great and precious promises
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# Great and precious promises

- ▶ **Partakers of the divine nature**
  - We begin to:
    - Love like God (Jno. 3:16)
    - Forgive like God (Eph. 4:32)
    - Grieve like God (Eph. 4:30)
    - Rejoice like God (Isa. 62:5)
- ▶ **Escaped the corruption in the world**

# Growth comes by adding to our faith

## ▶ 2 Pet. 1:5-7

- But also for this very reason, giving all diligence,
  - Add to your faith virtue
  - To virtue knowledge,
  - To knowledge self-control
  - To self-control perseverance
  - To perseverance godliness
  - To godliness brotherly kindness
  - And to brotherly kindness love.