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14The LORD upholds all those [of His own] who fall And raises up all those who are bowed down.

Psalm 145:14.

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We must stop focusing on our fallen state."	
(Romans 3:23 for all have sinned and fallen	
short of the glory of God)	
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21But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the	
Prophets, 22even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no	
distinction; 23for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24being justified as a gift by His grace through the	
redemption which is in Christ Jesus	
Romans 3:21-24 ESV	
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Romans 5:12 12Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one	
man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men• because all sinned	
Romans 5:17-18	
11For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. 18Therefore, as one trespass fied to	
condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness# leads to justification and life for all men. 19For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by	
the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.	I

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2. We must put our trust in Yahweh, Jesus, &	
The Holy Spirit's divine power	
3His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory	
and excellence, 4by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the	
divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire." (2 Peter 1:3-4, ESV)	
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We must become diligent in making our	
calling and election sure	
<sup>10</sup> Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice	
these qualities you will never fall. (2 Peter 1:10,	
ESV)	
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Word wealth	
Confirm - βέβαιος, -ου, ὁ, -ας, ἡ bebaios ① of something that can be relied	
on not to cause disappointment, reliable, in metaph. of an anchor	
Calling κλῆσις, εως, ἡ klēsis – the condition one enters upon the acceptance of a summons; especially all that is expected of a person who	
accepts God's summons to the hope of salvation in Jesus.  Election - ἑκλογή, ῆς, ἡ (ἐκ + λέγω) eklogē the act of deliberately	
Election - εκλογη, ης, η (εκ + λεγω) εκίσge the act of deliberately selecting someone or something BDAG () a special choice, selection, choice, election act. Sense	
Fall - παίω ptaiō – to sin conceived of as missing a step and falling or	
nearly falling	
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3. We must become diligent in making our	
calling and election sure <sup>5</sup> For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with	
virtue, and virtue with knowledge, <sup>6</sup> and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness,	
<sup>7</sup> and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. <sup>8</sup> For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep	
you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former	_
sins (2 Peter 1:5-9 ESV)	
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Yahweh's Blueprint Through Jesus:	
faith + virtue + knowledge + self-control + steadfastness, + godliness, + brotherly + love =	
never fall	
BONUS: You become effective and fruitful	-
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REFLECTION	_
Allow the word to become flesh by putting 2 Peter 1:5-11 into daily practice.	
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