

# Welcome to New Hope Church

A Christ-centered community for all peoples, moving toward Jesus and taking others with us.

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SPECIAL BUSINESS MEETING

**ministry centralization project** Sunday Feb 28 » 5pm  
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info meeting  
Feb 21 » 5pm  
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SUNDAYS MAR 7-21

NEW HOPE CHURCH

**MEMBERSHIP CLASS**

5PM ZOOM

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NEWS & GIVING REPORT

### Ministry Centralization Project Info Meeting

Sunday, February 21, 5pm, Worship Center or online. Details shared and questions answered about centralizing our ministries to the Main Campus. Members vote at the Special Business Meeting on February 28, 5pm.

### Compass Financial

Tuesdays, March 2–April 27, 6–8pm, Zoom. This nine-week study teaches God's perspective of managing money and possessions. Register by February 23 at [newhopechurchmn.org/care](http://newhopechurchmn.org/care).

### Women's Bible Study/Men's Discipleship Groups

Women's Bible study and men's discipleship groups starting up. Visit [newhopechurchmn.org/women](http://newhopechurchmn.org/women) and [newhopechurchmn.org/men](http://newhopechurchmn.org/men).

### NHC en Español

Sundays, 10:30am, Ministry Center. Worship with our Spanish-speaking community. Volunteer with the tech or hospitality team. Email [latino@newhopechurchmn.org](mailto:latino@newhopechurchmn.org) for more information.

### myNHC

Sign up for myNHC online—our database for connecting with each other. Be sure your information is current to continue receiving communications.

### News & Giving Report

Log in to myNHC for details on praying for hospitalizations, births, deaths and new believer stories. View the weekly giving report.

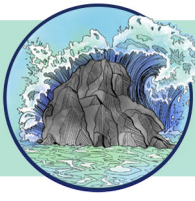
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# 2 PETER

## STAND FIRM

### LIFE GROUPS DISCUSSION GUIDE

**WALK WORTHY** 2 Peter 1:5–15

February 21, 2021

#### CONNECT

1. Without opening your Bibles or notes, talk about what you remember from 2 Peter so far. How does the letter begin? What has Peter told us about God so far?

#### CELEBRATE

2. The term *gradatio* means the piling on of ideas, culminating in a grand crescendo. How do verses 5–7 demonstrate this? Where does the *gradatio* begin (what is the foundation)? What is its crescendo?
3. When Peter says the phrase “make every effort to supplement your faith” (2 Peter 1:5), is he talking about entering the kingdom of God (salvation) or living as a citizen of the kingdom of God (obedience)? Why is it so vital to understand this distinction?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 8:7 aloud, followed by 2 Peter 1:5–7. How do these lists compare? Where do they both begin and end? Why do you suppose Paul and Peter feel the urge to continually remind believers of these things (see 1 John 4, Matthew 22)?
5. By whose power can we accomplish the work of 2 Peter 1:5–11 (see verses 3–4)? How do we do this practically (see Galatians 5:1–6)?
6. Read 2 Peter 1:8–9. Our knowledge of Jesus Christ as Lord can become ineffective, bearing no fruit in our lives. How? What would a person’s life look like if their knowledge of Christ became so ineffective and fruitless?
7. Imagine a person who daily strives to live out verses 5–7. What would it be like to be around that person? Would you want to have that person in your life regularly? Would those who are not yet Christians like to be around this person? What implications does that have for us as a church?
8. Read 2 Peter 1:12–15. Peter knows his life will end soon. What does he choose to do with the time he has left? Why does he focus on talking about these things in his letter?

#### CONTRIBUTE

9. Peter dearly loves the people he’s writing to, seeking to stir them up in the truth. How can we live like Peter among those we love? How can we replicate Peter’s deliberate focus in leading the people he loves to life in Christ? Talk about what this looks like practically. Talk also about what gets in the way of living like this and how we can fight against these things.