

Gospel Growth

IN VIRTUE

THE MOTIVATION FOR VIRTUE

Living in our purpose of developing and displaying the excellencies of Jesus Christ is not easy, especially as we battle temptation and spiritual complacency. For this reason, God has given us multiple reminders which serve to motivate and promote a life that is lived after its purpose.

Our position in Christ

God challenges us to _____ our _____. (Eph 5:8-9, John 8:12)

We _____ darkness We _____ light in the Lord _____ as children of the light

The grace of God in Christ

God's grace in Christ _____ us to live virtuously. (Titus 2:11-14)

New _____ New _____ New _____

The second coming of Christ

Christ's return at any moment motivates us to live for _____.
(2 Cor. 5:9-10)

God intends for these reminders (and others like them) to motivate us to virtuous living. The more we meditate on these, the more their motivational power will influence us. We must ask God to help us and then be diligent to remember our position and God's grace.

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- What are some of the affects of living according to our position?
- Do you think that someone who uses grace as an excuse to sin truly understands grace? Why?
- What are some practical steps we can take to keep these motivational reminders before us?