

Conclusions drawn by Volition 4 a better life

▼ 1. **#1** Doctrine: Is what gives us Epignosis Confidence

#2 self-confidence == our own self will

Or we're just going to rely on

Which one is engaged in your thought process that brings you to your conclusion?

Everybody knows what they want to know about God!

Because we want to please, know, and obey God; as Christians we act out our Epignosis knowledge in our daily life!
We apply that knowledge to the daily situations of life.

Toward the:

daily trials
Bringing our emotions under control.
Bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ.
IN the Choices we make for our daily activities.
How we respond to others throughout the day:
both in our mental attitude towards those individuals
and in the things that we say and do toward them.

Also in how we plan for the future not only for ourselves, but also for others.

We apply that knowledge with intelligent thoughtful confidence; knowing that by doing so we are abiding in Christ's commandments.

It is through spiritual knowledge, it is through the intelligent, precise, accurate well thought out and well organized thought processes of spiritual knowledge, and in the daily use of this knowledge, that we will have confidence before Him at His coming

To the level that we choose to abide in Christ, we are actively applying that knowledge to the daily situations of life; and the rest we fill in with human moral good, having great confidence in our ability to perform at a superior level, and in our ability to come up with the best methods to answer the needs of life, and in our great ability to perceive what those needs are.

We either choose to trouble our relationship with self-centered negativity, or we choose to obey God and abide in Christ

▼ 2. **His divine power has given us all things that pertain to life and godliness:**

2 Peter 1:1-15 (ESV)

1 Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours by the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ:
2 May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.
3 His 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**,

his **virtue**, goodness, excellence of character (Php 4:8; 2Pt 1:3, 5+)

4 by 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.

Referencing the the Corrupt societal system of human sinful thought

3189 κόσμος, **kosmos**, ou (m), ó (hó) n.masc.; = Str 2889; TDNT 3.385-3; LN 1.1 salvation, as an ordered structure (Ac 17:24) 2; LN 1.39 work, the surface of the earth, where mankind dwells (Mt 4:8, Mk 16:15 v.1); 3; LN 41.38 **world system, godless world standards** (Gal 6:14)

5 For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge,
6 and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness,
7 and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.
8 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.
9 For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins.
10 Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.
11 For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
12 Therefore I intend always to remind you of these qualities, though you know them and are established in the truth that you have.
13 I think it right, as long as I am in this body, to stir you up by way of reminder.
14 since I know that the putting off of my body will be soon, as our Lord Jesus Christ made clear to me.
15 And I will make every effort so that after my departure you may be able at any time to recall these things.

▼ 3. **Bringing the sins of the tongue under the control of doctrine:**

James 3:3-18 (ESV)

3 If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well.
4 Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder
5 whereas the will of the pilot directs.
6 So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire!
6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body,

setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by **hell**

1847 γέννα **geenna**, ec (del), ἡ (hē) n.fem.; = DBLHeb 1628 + 2183; Str 1067; TDNT 1.657-LN 1.21 **hell**, Gehenna, a Hellenized transliteration of the Hebrew, "Hinnom Valley." A ravine just SSW of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. A place of trash fires and perpetually burning rubbish, hence the figurative extension of a place of eternal punishment

7 For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind,
8 but **no man can tame the tongue** It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.
9 With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God.

10 From the same mouth come blessing and cursing **My brothers, these things ought not to be so.**

11 Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water?
12 Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.
13 Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of **wisdom**.

2651 σοφία **sophia**, ec (del), ἡ (hē) n.fem.; = DBLHeb 2883; Str 4678; TDNT 7.469-1; LN 32.32 **wisdom, prudence, discretion, i.e., the capacity to understand, and hence act, wisely**

14 But if you have **bitter jealousy** and **selfish ambition** in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth.

4395 πικρός **pikros**, á (sf), div (enr) adj.; = DBLHeb 5253; Str 4089; TDNT 6.123-1; LN 78.41 **bitter, acrid, pungent** (Jas 3:11+); = LN 88.170 **resentful** (most versions) **bitter** (Jas 3:14+)

2489 ζήλος **zelos**, ou (m), ó (hó) or encl (ous), ró (hó) n.masc. or neu.; = DBLHeb 7863; Str 2205; TDNT 2.877-1; LN 25.45 **zealot, earnest, deeply devoted zeal** (Ro 12:2; 2Co 7:7); 2; LN 88.162 **jealousy, envy, resentment**

2249 ἐριθεία **(eritheia)**, ec (del), ἡ (hē) n.fem.; = Str 2052; TDNT 2.660-1; LN 88.167 **selfish ambition, implying rivalry** (Ro 2:8; 2Co 12:20; Gal 5:26; Php 1:17; 2:3; Jas 3:14, 16+)

15 This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic.

rivalry | **Yivaké** | noun (plural rivalries)
competition for the same objective or for superiority in the same field: commercial rivalry | intercity rivalries.

16 For where **jealousy** and **selfish ambition** exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice.

17 But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.
18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

Impossible command