IT'S ALL ABOUT M.E.! (MORAL EXCELLENCE) Old Testament Character Studies in Moral Excellence.

- 2Pe. 1:5 "moral excellence" = gr. αρετη also translated as virtue, outstanding goodness, excellence of character, worthiness, moral goodness
 - Virtue in the Old Testament = moral strength (heb. Hayil) Ex. 18:21-26; Ps. 15:1-5; De. 1:13,15 (moral strength without faith); Acts 6:3
 - These are NOT attributes that are unattainable, these are moral character qualities that are attainable!
 - Php 4:8 "Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, think about these things."
 - 1Pe. 2:9 "But you are a chosen race, a loyal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light."
 - 2Pe. 1:3 "For His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by (to) His own glory and excellence."
 - 2Pe. 1:5 "Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge."

Godly Character Qualities

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- $1\text{Co.}\ 10:6$ "Now these things happened as examples for us, so that we would not crave evil things as they indeed craved them."
- 1Co. 10:11 "Now these things happened to them as an example, and they were written for our instruction, upon whom the ends of the ages have come."
- Ro. 15:4 "For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope."

1	vs. Carelessness – Being aware of what is taking place around me so I can have the right responses. Mark 14:38; 1Pe. 5:8	
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