

THE SHALLOWS

A GREAT PLACE TO BEGIN, — A TERRIBLE PLACE TO STAY



How we start in life
isn't supposed to be
where we stay for the rest of our life.

When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put childish ways behind me.

1 Corinthians 13:11 NIV

**What if we have everything
we already need?**

His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and goodness.

2 Peter 1:3 NIV

I would, but
It's just who I am
I can't help it
If you only knew this about me
I've tried so many times

Too old, too young
My background isn't the best
Too busy
I don't have what it takes

**Excuses make us feel better about
not doing better and not being better.**

**Excuses undermine our progress
and impair our potential.**

Through these He has given us His very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

2 Peter 1:4 NIV

For this very reason, make every
effort to add to your faith
goodness; and to goodness
knowledge;

2 Peter 1:5 NIV

and knowledge, self-control; and to
self-control, perseverance; and to
perseverance, godliness;

2 Peter 1:6 NIV

and to godliness, mutual affection;
and to mutual affection, love.

2 Peter 1:7 NIV

For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 Peter 1:8 NIV

**You will never make progress
until you take responsibility.**

Therefore, my brothers and sisters,
make every effort to confirm your
calling and election. For if you do
these things, you will never
stumble,

2 Peter 1:10 NIV

and you will receive a rich
welcome into the eternal kingdom
of our Lord and Savior Jesus
Christ.

2 Peter 1:11 NIV