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Numbers

Seven

Seven Pillars of Wisdom

Prov. 9:1 "Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars." Pillars are that which provides support to a building. In the second book of Peter, we find seven supports to our walk of faith: 2 Pet. 1:5 "And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. 8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins. 10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall."

Faith is given to us, we do not add it. However, we are to add seven things to the faith that God has given us. These seven things are virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness, and charity. By adding these seven things, we are told that we shall be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. This serves as a complete support system to a walk of faith.