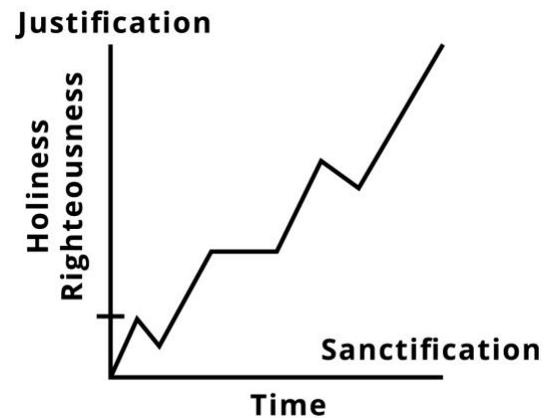


Up And To The Right - 9/23/18

OVERVIEW

Organizations value it. Businesses chart it. Companies depend on it. The up and to the right movement that is easily identifiable on charts and spreadsheets. At a deep and instinctive level, human beings yearn for it also. It signifies health, growth, and security. It allows us to see when we are on the right track and provides opportunity to recalibrate if we are not. The majority of us want to live meaningful lives characterized as fruitful and effective. But how can we keep moving up and to the right when much of life conspires to move us in the opposite direction?



Scripture: **2 Peter 1:3-11**

APPLICATION

1. Share about an item you have bought or an experience you have participated in that was "too good to be true."
2. Sanctification is characterized by change over time to become more like Christ... the outward changes that reflect the inward reality. What changes have you seen in your life that reflect what Christ is doing (the sanctification process) in your life?
3. Verse 3 says "His divine power has given us everything we need for a Godly life..." Are you depending on your own self-reliance to move your arrow up and to the right or are you relying on God's divine power? Explain.
4. What is a practical way you can "make every effort to add to your faith" one of the qualities in verses 5-7? Share a specific way you are going to do that this week.