"PRECIOUS" IN (1 AND 2 PETER)

"Precious" - valuable; worth a lot; to be treasured; cherish it.

1. (1 Peter 1:6-7) "that the genuineness of your faith, much more precious than gold"

(v6) "you have been grieved by various trials" - true!

Can't escape trials; however, here is an analogy between the testing of character, our faith, and the refining of gold, which is a precious metal.

Remaining faithful is "more precious than gold."

2. (1 Peter 1:17-19) (v19) "the precious blood of Christ"

(Ephesians 1:2-3) It's God's eternal scheme of redemption. (v7) "In Him we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace." (Matthew 26:27-28; 1 Corinthians 6:20; Hebrews 9:28)

3. (1 Peter 2:3-5) "Him ... chosen by God and precious"

(John 6:67-69) "... Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Also we have come to believe and know that You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

"rejected indeed by men" - (Psalm 118:22; Isaiah 8:14, 28:16) (Matthew 12:17-18) "Behold! My Servant whom I have chosen"

4. (1 Peter 2:6) "a chief cornerstone, elect, precious"

(1 Corinthians 3:11) Jesus is both cornerstone and foundation. (Matthew 21:42)

5, (1 Peter 1:7-8) "He is precious"

(Acts 4:11-12) (1 Corinthians 1:23) "to the Jews a stumbling block, to the Greeks foolishness"

6. (2 Peter 1:1) "those who have obtained like precious faith"

(1 Corinthians 1:10; Ephesians 4:4-6)

7. (2 Peter 1:2-4) "exceedingly great and precious promises"

"given us all things" - (Ephesians 1:3) "blessed us with ..."
"given to us ... promises" - Titus 1:2; Romans 4:20-21)