

II Peter Intro & 1:1-2  
---*The Title Bookend*---



## I. Introduction and Background:

- II. Initial Observations of the text:**
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**III. Unpacking the text**

vs 1 The \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who through the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ have received a faith as precious as ours:

vs 2 Peter's Critical \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

**IV. Your summary notes:**

**V. Points of Application:**

1. Live in such a way that testifies that your \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_
2. Take an inventory of the \_\_\_\_\_ you have received and the \_\_\_\_\_ you have with God and that you live out
3. Take an inventory of your \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus Christ
4. Pray for a Growing Knowledge about Christ that makes a \_\_\_\_\_ change in your \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

2:3	the false teachers' "condemnation" from the past	4
2:1	[they] "deny" the "Sovereign [and] Lord"	4
2:4	angels confined for judgment-"gloomy" (II Pe) and "darkness" (Jude) translate the same Greek word (zophos)	6
2:6	Sodom & Gomorrah as examples of judgment of gross evil	7
2:10	[they] "reject (Jude)/despise [II Pe] authority" [they] 'slander celestial beings'	8
2:11	angels do not bring "slandorous accusation(s)"	9
2:13	[the false teachers are] 'blemishes'	12
2:17	Jude: "clouds without rain, blown along by the wind" II Pe: "springs without water and mists driven by a storm"	12
3:3	"scoffers" following "their own evil [Peter]/ungodly [Jude] desires"	18

## Outline of II Peter

### I. The Letter Opening (1:1-15)

- A. Salutation and Greeting (I:1-2)
- B. "Strive" to Grow in Knowledge of Christ (1:3-11)
- C. The Weight of Peter's Words as One Near Death (1:12-15)

### II. The Body of the Letter (1:16-3:13)

- A. Christ Will Certainly Return, as Promised (1:16-21)
  - 1. Peter Himself Saw Christ's Final Glory (1:16-18)
  - 2. The Prophecies Are Utterly Reliable (1:19-21)
- B. Growth in Christ Requires That We Recognize and Resist False Christians (2:1-22)
  - 1. Peter Warns About the Coming of False Christians (2:1-3)
  - 2. Peter Reminds His Readers That False Believers Will Be Condemned But True Believers Saved (2:4-10a)
  - 3. Peter Details the Sins of the False Christians (2:10b-16)
  - 4. Peter Warns His Readers by Showing How the False Christians Will Suffer for Turning from the Truth (2:17-22)
- C. We Must Hold Fast to the Promise of Christ's Return (3:1-13)
  - 1. The False Christians Deny the Return of Christ (3:1-7)
  - 2. Christ Will Certainly Return and Bring an End to This World (3:8-10)
  - 3. Peter Encourages Godly Living in Light of the End of the World (3:11-13)

### III. The Letter Closing: Strive to Grow in Knowledge of Christ (3:14-18)