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II Peter 1:2

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- **The opening statement of Second Peter is addressed “to those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours.”**
- **What a wonderful thought for the readers. To think that they enjoyed an equal status spiritually with someone of the apostle Peter’s caliber.**
- **But really, it is more about the righteousness of Jesus than it is the caliber of Peter.**

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- **What about those who find themselves on the other end of the spectrum?**
- **Those who have not obtained an equal standing of faith with Peter or his intended audience.**
- **Today, I want us to think about those who have obtained an equal standing of condemnation.**

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- **There are multiple purposes for doing a lesson like this.**
 - **First, the hope is that someone who is outside of Christ will make a decision today to change their standing.**
 - **Second, to move our hearts as Christians to an awareness of the many lost people who share a lot in common with us.**

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- *Equal standing of condemnation applies to....*
- **The High Priest, Caiaphas- Matt. 26:57-67**
- **The Rich Young Ruler- Mark 10:17-23**
- **The Wise Scribe- Mark 12:28-34**
- **Nicodemus- John 3; 7:45-52; 19:38-40**
- **The not 3000 at Pentecost- Acts 2:37-41**
 - **Have you ever thought that there may have been some convicted by not converted?**

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- *Equal standing of condemnation applies to....*
- **We know of others that are living today who are great people; benevolent, kind, caring, even spiritual but not on equal standing with us in faith because they have never been baptized into Christ.**
- **The good news is Romans 8:1, “There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.”**