

## Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

1. Review: what is “imputed” or “passive” righteousness”?
2. What does Peter mean when he states: *To those who through the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ have received a faith as precious as ours (vs.1)?*
3. What is meant by the terms, *grace and peace (vs. 2)?*
4. What is the only ultimate source of *grace and peace (vs. 2)?*
5. What are the two aspects of “sanctification” that are described in vs. of this text? Why do they go hand in hand with each other?
6. Most Christians embrace the idea that they are “saved by God’s grace but “become holy through their own efforts.” What is wrong with this thinking?
7. What is God’s role in your justification and your sanctification?
8. What is your role in your justification and your sanctification?

9. Can you describe a time in your Christian life when you “lived by appearances and not by God’s promises”? What happened? How would things have been different had you responded by trusting first the promises of God?
  
10. Do you know God’s promises to you? How can you learn them? How important is the study of the Bible in this regard?
  
11. What specific promises are most meaningful to you?