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#### Starter

1. Sometimes truth is stranger than fiction. What's the strangest true story you've ever told? What did you say in order to convince people it was true?



#### Read verses 12-15

2. What did the short-term future hold for Peter? How does that affect Peter's priority – what is his focus and work?



#### Read verses 16-18

3. What in particular does Peter want to remind them of? What event does he refer to in making his point? (cf. Mark 9:2-8)

4. What does this event teach us about Jesus?

5. Why should they believe Peter over the false teachers?



**Read verses 19-27**

6. What should we “pay attention” to? How important is it that we do, according to Peter?

7. According to Peter, are the Old Testament Scriptures (the prophetic message) as reliable as the words that Jesus spoke? Why?



**Apply**

(Answer all these questions personally, but as a group choose one or two to focus on.)

8. What are some of the ‘cleverly devised stories’ about Jesus in our modern world?

9. How does Peter’s encouragement here reassure you of the reliability of the gospel?

10. Choose one of these statements and, in the light of the passage, consider how you would respond?

- “Jesus didn’t say that. That’s just Paul!”

- “But that’s just the Old Testament!”

- “That was just the culture back then. We know better now!”

- “Christianity is just a leap of faith!”

11. The Old Testament Scriptures and the apostle’s testimony about Jesus (which is, basically, the New Testament) are not fabricated (v16), are confirmed by God’s direct speech (v17), reliable (v19) and come from the mind of God (v21). But it can be easy to not pay attention to any teaching of scripture we don’t like. How do we specifically “not pay attention”? And what will it mean practically to “pay attention” and to shine it’s light on the parts of our life we would prefer to keep in the dark?



## **Prayer Notes**