

# *BEING CHRISTIAN IN A HOSTILE WORLD*

## Which Story?

2 Peter 1:16 - 2:3

1. Evidence supports the coming Kingdom of Jesus.

- Eyewitness accounts
  
- Fulfilled prophecy

2. False prophets seek to exploit Christians with alternative stories.

# MY APPLICATION

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

1. What are some of the stories that have influenced you over the course of your life? They may be written or actual experiences. How is the story of the Bible different than all other stories?
2. Peter insists that the story of the Bible and the coming Kingdom of Jesus is the true story of God and humanity. (See 2 Peter 1:16) Why is it so important for Christians to be shaped by this story? How does an eternal perspective on life guide us through life's choices, trials, and joys?
3. How important is the Bible to you? (See 2 Peter 1:20-21; 2 Timothy 2:15, 3:16-17; Psalm 19:7-11) Share one truth that you treasure from the Bible that shapes your life daily.
4. How do you protect yourself from being deceived by false prophets? How does your connection with people in the group help you stay focused on the story of the Bible? Share a suggestion for how the group could be of even greater support to you in your personal growth in Jesus.

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## **MEMORY VERSE**

**“We did not follow cleverly invented stories when we told you about the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty.”**

***2 Peter 1:16***