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Connection

What is one of your favorite movies of all time?

Content

Peter wrote 2 Peter to tell his brothers and sisters in Christ that they need to confront false teaching and deal with it head on.

We as the body of Christ must be bold in our faith and confident that Christ is with us.

Great Confidence

- **1.** Read 2 Peter 1:16-18. Peter and the other apostles didn't make up the powerful miracles they witnessed first hand, nor the fact that Christ will come again one day. In fact, Peter literally heard the voice of God proclaim, "This is my Son." What is significant in Peter stressing this to the readers?
- **2.** Read Mathew 17:5-8, 2 Peter 1:19-21, and 2 Timothy 3:16a. God tells the disciples that Jesus is the Son of God and all prophecy comes from God first, including all scripture that we read today. This fact is a pinnacle point of our faith as Christians. Even if we don't always understand all of scripture, it is the word of God. How can that be confusing for someone to understand at first?

Great Danger

3. Read 2 Peter 2:1-3a and Acts 20:29a. There is danger in false teaching about Christ. This is something that dates back long before Peter, and is something that still exists today. How can false teaching be damaging to you, and to God's kingdom as a whole?

4. Heresy has been defined as "belief in opposition to Christ" or even as simply as "what you chose to believe." How are these the same thing?
Great Depravity
5. Read 2 Peter 2:10-22. False teachers can be ruled their own desire, delight in evil, are proud, love to judge others and work to lure others into sin with them. When have you been trying to escape from a sin and how can it be hard to when you're surrounded by others that still do?
6. Read Luke 16:15 and John 2:3-6. Only God knows our heart and we cannot discern the hearts of others but rather need to be sure to focus on our own relationship with Christ. How can you make sure you know Him and give your whole heart to Christ?
Commitment
7. Read 2 Timothy 4:3-4. Our world may be looking for false teachers that will give them temporary comfort. How can you be the example and run from these false teachers and idols, and instead run towards Christ?
Challenge Assignment

2 Peter 1:20

Put to memory this week:

"Above all, you must realize that no prophecy in Scripture ever came from the prophet's own understanding, or from human initiative. No, those prophets were moved by the Holy Spirit, and they spoke from God."