



Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to draw up a narrative concerning those filled among us, 2 even as they delivered them unto us, who from the beginning the word, 3 it seemed good to me also, having traced the course of all things occurred in order, most excellent Theophilus; 4 that thou mightest know the certainty of all things which have been said unto thee, and that thou mightest be able to bring forth the same to them to whomsoever thou shalt instruct.

# THE INSPIRATION OF THE BIBLE

12 And behold, two of them were going that very day to a village named Caesarea. And they communed with each other of all these things which had happened.

JANUARY 16 | 2 PETER 1:16-21

## DISCUSSION WIN

Help your group recognize that God gave us the Bible as *the* superior way to relate to Him.

## DISCUSS GOD'S WORD

- Look at verses 16 and 18. Which words indicate that Peter had a first-hand experience?
- What is the connection between Peter's experience (vs.16-18) and the "prophetic word" (vs.19)?  
Does one support the other?

## APPLY GOD'S WORD

- Based on these verses, how would you explain the inspiration of the Bible to a child?
- Jesus is God's ultimate and final messenger because He is God in the flesh. How does looking forward to Jesus affect how we read the OT and NT?
- Besides vs. 21, why are you convinced that the Bible could only come from God and not mankind?
- How should we view personal spiritual experiences and the Bible? Are these mutually exclusive?
- As a group, share the ways that you seek to intake God's word on a regular basis.

## PRAY GOD'S WORD

- God, help us to see you primarily through your word. Thank you for revealing yourself through the Bible.