



Growth Group Discussion Guide

Passage: Acts 3:17-26

Introduction: Who are people you are willing listen to? Why do you value their words?

Overview: In this passage the Apostle Peter addresses a group of Jews who had gathered to see the miraculous healing of a lame beggar. Peter corrects their assumptions and speaks to them about Jesus and his authority. While the people had rejected and killed Jesus, God used their ignorant and sinful actions to fulfill the words of the prophets concerning the Christ. Ultimately this passage calls us to listen to prophets of the Old Testament concerning Christ and our lives today.



Into the Word

Based on this passage, how would you describe the role of the prophets in the Old Testament? **Read 2 Peter 1:21.** Why should we listen to the prophets?

Resource: Prophet

Consider verses 18, 21, 24. What does Peter say the prophets spoke about?

Note: Be sure to consider the past, present, and future.

Consider: 1 Peter 1:10-12

In verses 22-23 Peter quotes a prophecy from Deuteronomy 18. **Read Hebrews 1:1-3.** How does Jesus fulfill Moses' prophecy? Why should we listen to Jesus?

Compare: Matthew 17:1-8, Luke 24:44-49



Into the Heart

Have you spent any time reading the prophets of the Old Testament? If so, how would you describe your experience reading them?

Resource: How to Read the Prophets Devotionally

Read Romans 15:4 When might we need to have endurance in our Christian lives?

How does hope in Christ's return produce endurance in us?



Into the World

What voices have the most amount of influence in our culture? What are they saying?

How will acknowledging Jesus as God's perfect and final prophet shape how we respond to or engage with these cultural voices?

Consider: 1 Peter 3:15