



# TALL TALES

Community Group Discussion: 2.23 - 3.15

## **SERIES OVERVIEW**

The Word of God holds things together, whereas myths pull things apart. Paul warned Timothy several times to avoid silly myths. In this series, we will identify some of the most common myths in our world today that many of us live by, sometimes without even knowing it.

## **MAIN TEXT**

2 Timothy 4:3-4, Acts 19:18-34, Colossians 1:15-17, 2 Peter 2:16

## **GETTING STARTED**

What was your favorite game to play growing up?

## **DIGGING DEEPER**

1. Read 2 Timothy 4:3-4. It's not hard to find a teacher or someone, that will tell you what you want to hear. Where do you see examples of this in our culture?
2. Read Acts 19:18-20. Choosing to follow Jesus means every part of your life is affected. What had to change in your life when you started following Jesus? How did people around you respond to these changes?
3. Read Acts 19:23-27. How is Jesus bad for business in this story? Have you ever experienced this, or been tempted to compromise your faith for financial gain?
4. Read Acts 19:28-34. People were upset when they realized that Jesus and the thing they worshiped couldn't *both* be in charge. What in your life challenges Jesus about who's in charge?

5. C.S. Lewis says that because of the claims Jesus makes about himself, he is either a liar, a lunatic, or Lord. Do you agree with this? Why or why not?
6. Read Colossians 1:15-17. Truth is always compatible with reality. If Jesus holds all things together then it would make sense that when we reject truth, things start falling apart. How do you see this happening in our culture right now?

## NEXT STEPS

Read 2 Peter 2:16. The first followers of Jesus didn't believe in made-up stories and myths about Jesus. They believed because they were eyewitnesses to his death, burial, and resurrection. *If* this is true and Jesus is really Lord of all, *then* what should that change in your life this week?

Pray together as a group. Thank God for giving us truth — moral standards to live by — and not leaving us on our own to figure it all out. Thank Jesus for being Lord of everything. Ask Him to help us identify lies and myths around us so we won't put our hope in them and instead trust our Heavenly Father.

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