Sermon Discussion Guide:

Jesus' Appearance on the Road to Emmaus

Scripture: Luke 24:13–35

Series: The Gospel of Luke

Sunday, September 13, 2020

OVERVIEW

We've been given instructions in scripture. But we need help interpreting them. **The risen Christ reveals himself in Scripture and invites us into fellowship.** He left us with his Scripture, his Spirit and his Church and by abiding in him, we will bear fruit.

CORROBORATING TEXTS

Genesis 3:15, Isaiah 53, John 14:25, Ephesians 4:11, John 15:4-10

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Why would the disciples on the road to Emmaus be prevented from recognizing Jesus? [God takes teachable moments to speak into our lives so we are prepared to receive the truth]
- 2. In verse 31, it says, "their eyes were opened". Talk about the difference between merely understanding scripture and being transformed by the Spirit when you understand scripture. What causes this? What's the difference?
- 3. How does Christ reveal himself in scripture? [1. through the Holy Spirit (John 14:25–26), 2. through teachers (Ephesians 4:11)] Talk about the differences. What does it mean to be a teacher?
- 4. Read John 15:4–10. What does it mean to "abide" in Christ? How does this affect our understanding of the scriptures?
- 5. God has given us the Church, and through the church, teachers to help us understand scripture. Not just "preaching" teachers, but our church community, and those who exhort one another and encourage and pray for one another. How does John 15 ("abide in Me [...] The branch that does not abide in me does not bear fruit) play into our individual call to be teachers? How does this influence our relationships with others in the church?



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