

FAMILY WORSHIP

The Road to Emmaus



Read the story in Luke 24:13-43.

Overview of the story

The Lord appeared to two of His followers as they walked on the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus, but they didn't recognize Him until later that day when He broke bread with them. When the two men hurried to tell the disciples what had happened, the Lord appeared to them as well.

Summary of four parts of the story

Luke 24:13-24

The Lord joined two of His followers as they walked to Emmaus, and He asked them what they were talking about and why they were sad.

Luke 24:25-27

The Lord helped them understand what is written in the Scriptures.

Luke 24:28-32

They invited Him to come inside with them. They recognized the Lord when He took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them.

Luke 24:33-43

They hurried to tell the eleven disciples that the Lord had risen. Then the Lord appeared in their midst, He showed them His hands and feet, and He ate some fish and honeycomb.

Discussion Ideas

1. Two of the Lord's followers were walking on the road to Emmaus. Who joined them as they walked along? (The Lord) Did they recognize Him? (No)
2. Jesus asked them why they were sad. What did they tell Him? (That Jesus had been crucified and some women said His tomb was empty and that angels said He was alive.)
3. What did the Lord do? (He taught them what the Scriptures teach about Him.)
4. What would you ask the Lord if you had the opportunity to walk with Him?
5. When did they recognize the Lord? (When He blessed and broke bread to give it to them.) What happened next? (The Lord vanished.) Then the two men hurried to tell the eleven disciples and other followers that "The Lord is risen indeed" (Luke 24:34).
6. What happened as they told them what happened? (Jesus came and stood in the midst of them, saying, "Peace to you.") How did the disciples react? (They were frightened.)
7. How did the Lord convince them that He was risen? (He showed them His hands and feet. And He ate a piece of broiled fish and some honeycomb in their presence.) Then the Lord helped them understand what they had seen and heard.
8. How did this help the disciples understand that the Lord was risen? How might it have helped them understand that He was the Lord and God of heaven and earth?