

2. Jesus reveals himself vs. 30 ff


- ☑ "eyes were opened" vs 31
- ☑ Eleven = "the LORD has risen, and has appeared to Simon." vs. 34
- ☑ "told what had happened on the rd"

Why this explosion of joy?

= Scriptures' Massive Hope had been fulfilled by crucified + risen Jesus!

"Is everything sad going to come untrue?" Frodo
Return of the KING

③ COMMUNITY BUILDING MEAL

 When he was at table with them, he took the bread and broke it and gave it to them, and their eyes were opened.

- ☑ At center of Xtian church, community is a meal
- ☑ Binds together all who bear a Massive Hope = Scriptures' Promises have been fulfilled in crucifixion + resurrection of Jesus
- ☑ Believe + Eat

SCRIPTURE READING (CONT)

¹⁸Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?"

²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Discuss these two aspects of the worldview of the two disciples (as representatives of faithful Jews) on the road to Damascus: (1) Scriptures hope that God would redeem Israel and (2) that dead people are not resurrected (i.e. personal resurrections don't happen). In light of these two aspects, why might the disciples have been dejected when Jesus was crucified and buried?
2. Christ interprets Scripture, specifically the promises of Scripture, to these disciples through the lens of Cross and Resurrection. Review how this crucifixion and resurrection framework explains (is the missing puzzle piece) to Scripture.
3. How might this new understanding of Scripture create an "explosion of joy" for believers in Jesus Christ? How does the Lord's Supper become a meal that renews our joy and recharges our hope?

3 Xity began + continues as an "explosion of joy"

Today many see Xity as a downer, drag, grind...
But historic facts + personal testimonies are undeniable

Why?

① Worldview Revolution

☰☰ Context = disciples' hopes dashed vs. 21

World-view #1 SCRIPTURE ► Θ would redeem Israel, i.e. a people of massive hope

1. seed = a seed/son of woman would crush the head of the serpent (Gen 3:15), bless nations (Gen 12:1-3), and eradicate death (Isaiah 25)
2. Covenant = Θ will keep his covenant w. Israel (Gen 12, 15, 17), even if Israel is faithless (Gen 15), including gift of H.S.
3. sacrifice = Θ will passover His people, not judging them for their sin. (Exodus 12); thru sacrifice He will atone for their sins Lv.
4. King = A King of lineage of David will come (11 Cor 7, Is. 7, 9, 11) and judge, deliver and bring peace
5. Servant-Savior = a servant of Θ , Θ Himself would come, suffer for His people, and save them (Is

World-view #2 Dead people are NOT resurrected!

- ☑ Thus disciples are dejected, crushed
- ☑ N.T. Wright, Resurrection of the Son of God

➡➡➡ Beware of "Chronological Snobbery" Lewis

Why the "explosion of joy"?

Answer = World view Revolution! What?
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② Cross + RESURRECTION Interpretation of ☰☰

1. Jesus interprets Scripture ► Promise + Fulfillment through Cross + Resurrection

"O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things + enter into his glory?" vs. 26

Missing
Puzzle
Piece



- ☑ seed/son who crushed head of serpent + swallowed death
- ☑ covenant keeping Θ Gen 15
- ☑ sacrifice to atone for sin
- ☑ King who reigns forever
- ☑ Suffering Servant

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