

Messiah Lesson 6 (March 2/3)

Resurrection and Ascension of Christ



Read Luke 24:1–35

1. In verse 24:3, for the first and only time in his well-researched gospel, Luke refers to Jesus as “Lord Jesus.” Why do you think Luke chooses to refer to Jesus as Lord at this particular moment?
2. Read Daniel 8:15–17. How is the reaction of the women at the tomb like that of Daniel? The world’s view of angels is that they are cute and adorable—how does Scripture describe angelic beings?
3. Similarly to the crucifixion accounts, the gospel writers provide zero detail about Jesus’s actual process of resurrection; rather, as Luke records the words of the angels, they all simply say “He has risen.” When does curiosity about the things of God become unhealthy?
4. What do the angels’ mild rebukes of the women (“Why do you seek the living among the Dead? Don’t you remember what he said?”) tell us about their place among the disciples of Jesus?
5. What do the comments by the two disciples on their way to Emmaus reveal about the state of the disciple’s knowledge and beliefs regarding the empty tomb?
6. Divine action prevented these two disciples from recognizing the risen Jesus (“...their eyes were kept from recognizing him,” v. 24:16). Describe the process by which the two disciples “eyes were opened” to the person of Jesus.
7. Based on Luke 24:27 and our study through C.A.S.K.E.T. E.M.P.T.Y, how would you succinctly define what the Bible is to someone with no background knowledge of Christianity?

8. How does this passage show us the trustworthiness of God? Where in your life is God inviting you to a new or deeper place of trust?



Read Luke 24:36–53

9. How does Jesus rebuke the disciples when he suddenly appears in the room with them?

10. Jesus appears to the disciples with a resurrected body and asks for something to eat. Why do you think He does this?

11. Why do you think the disciples are described in Luke 24:41 as “still they stood there in disbelief, filled with joy and wonder”? (NLT) Describe a time when you’ve experienced disbelief accompanied by joy and wonder.

12. Take a minute to think back to our C.A.S.K.E.T. study and review your notes. Where are two places in the Old Testament that speak to you most clearly about the coming Messiah Jesus?

13. As well as Nicodemus knew the Scriptures, he did not know what Jesus was talking about regarding the necessity of being born again of the Spirit. Read verses 24:45 and 49. How do these verses demonstrate that being born again is the act of a most merciful triune God and not ourselves?

14. Describe Jesus’ last words to the disciples. How do Jesus’ last words shape the identity of the disciples as well as their mission?

15. What is the relevance of Jesus’ last words to us today?