

# PRODICAL GOD Discussion Guide

### 14-WEEK STUDY

IN THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

**WEEK 12** 

Discussion Guide

Luke 24:13-35



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#### **WEEKLY READING**

Primary text from this week: Luke 24:13-35

#### **GETTING STARTED**

Goals this week: To see the value of spending time in community and sharing Jesus with others

**Missed the sermon?** Watch it at www.youtube.com/venturamissionary

**Break the Ice:** What was special for you about this Easter? Would you rather be on a long road trip with a "glass-half full" type person or "glass-half empty" type person and why?

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Did you read **Luke 24:13-49** last week? What sticks out to you as unique or odd about the story, "On the Road to Emmaus?"
- 2. What was a phrase or point that stuck out to you from Pastor Brian's sermon?
- 3. Why do you think these two disciples felt free to leave Jerusalem at this time?
- 4. Talk about a season in your life that, given the benefit of lapsed time, you are now able to look back and see what God was doing in you and around you for good.
- 5. Brian mentioned that one of Luke's many goals with this story was to encourage the church to continue to break bread and interpret the Scriptures together. How have you benefited over the years by reading and interpreting Scripture with other people? (in community)
- 6. Brian mentioned that the story does not end in communion but mission. The last thing the two people in the story do is run and tell the others that Jesus has risen from the dead. What message do you think other disciples need to hear right now that would encourage them?
- 7. Brian says our mission to the church is to: encourage, challenge, and value. Which of these three do you identify with most or is easiest for you to do? And, which of these is the work you need to do this next week? Explain.

#### Prayer:

Free us, Oh Lord, from the expectation that life should always be better.

Free us, Oh Lord, from the everyday stressors—

the bills, the pressure, the dependents, the existential fears about the future and the worries of right now.

Oh God, today, give us enough to go on, give us hope to see a future,

Give us joy to see a present, lit by your love.



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#### **PRAYER**

Pray for each other: Pray for each other and any specific needs.

**Pray for yourself:** Pray that God would show you how you can encourage, challenge, and value others.

**Pray for your four:** Identify four people who don't know Jesus (friends, family, neighbors, or co-workers/classmates), and commit to pray for them consistently. Pray that (1) God would reveal Jesus to them, (2) that God would turn their hearts towards Him, (3) that God would put Christians in their path to represent Christ, and (4) that God would give you an opportunity to share what Christ has done in your life.

#### THIS WEEK'S DAILY READING

Week 13—April 17-23 (Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:1-2:47)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
Luke 24:50-53	Acts 1:1-11	Acts 1:12-21*	Acts 1:22-2:28	Acts 2:29-41	Acts 2:42-47

\*You're also encouraged to read Joel 2, the passage Peter guotes in his speech.

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