

Breaking of Bread

Luke 24:13-35 And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs.
14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened.
15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. **16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.** 17 And he said unto them, What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? 18 And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?
19 And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people: 20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.
21 But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, today is the third day since these things were done.
22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; 23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. 24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said: but him they saw not. 25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: **26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things,** and to enter into his glory? 27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. 28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further. 29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. **30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them.** 31 **And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.** 32 And they said one to another, **Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?** 33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, 34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon. **35 And they told what things were done in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.**

When the spiritual becomes real

Open the word which open their heart

He expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself

Do you allow the Lord to open the scriptures to you?

Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

He took the bread and open their eyes

Jesus purposefully took bread
The breaking of the bread opened their eyes.

Breaking bread we can't see resurrection power of Christ Jesus until we see the cross

suffering proceeds glory

we cannot understand Jesus Christ presence until we see the cross the suffering reveals the power

Hospitality created spiritual insight

29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us:

Heb 13:1-2 Let brotherly love continue.

2 Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

The sense of hospitality the teaching was a cause to have them say abide with us.

breaking of bread speaks of fellowship abide with us Emmanuel God with us

Sharing

When I break I share I am not selfish but now we see the Lord Jesus giving.

Phip 3: 10-14 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and **the fellowship of his sufferings,** being made conformable unto his death;
11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

12 Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. 13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

We share in sufferings of Christ -Ac 4:29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word, Ac 9: 4 And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?

Suffering always comes before power and glorification

1 Corinthians 10:16-18 The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? 17 For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.
18 Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar?

We are one body with Christ- for we are all partakers of that one bread.
In Communion we shared in the death of Jesus Christ

The bread represents his body

Heb 10: 5-10 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, **but a body hast thou prepared me:**

6 In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure.

7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.

8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law;

9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

10 **By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.**

His eyes –Saw the suffering of a sinful world and the beauty of Jerusalem the temple. Look at who touched Him, Looked and saw His disciples as Mother and Brethren, He looked to heaven to bless the bread, Jesus looked and saw Zaccheaus, He looked at Peter after He was denied by Peter, He looked to us by saving us from our sins

His mouth-He spoke the word of God, He spoke healing, He spoke deliverance, He spoke rebuke and chastisement, He cried at Lazarus tomb, he cried and prayed at the cross for you and I plus all those who would serve him as he became a ransom for us all.

His hands –pulled the wood saw the wood worked with the wood and his father's carpenters shop. Touch blind eyes, made mud, cleansed the leper, open the deaf ears, touched the man who could not speak tongue. He washed the disciples feet like the servant he chose to be. His hands were pierced for you and I and for all those who needed justification as he is the Lamb of God took away our sins.

He sat-he sat with the priest at 12 years old, he sat at a well to speak to one woman, he sat in the temple and taught word of God, he sat with his disciples and had his Last Supper with them. Now he sits in heavenly places making intercession for the Saints he is the judge of all the earth he sits in full authority and power.

His Feet- How beautiful upon the mountains are the **feet** of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! He walked for his father and mother often. He walked into the Jordan river to be baptized in obedience to Father God. He walked to heal Jarius daughter. He walked into the pool to heal a lame man. He walked to be convicted by caiphus, Herod and Pilate. He walked with the cross on his back he took death which he did not deserve but died in our place as a substitution for us. And yes he walked out of that tomb on the third day as he defeated death.

Communion- Common union
We need to see Jesus lifted up
We need to see His suffering , His Burial His resurrection
We need revelation of Christ
Hospitality causes intimacy God with us
We share in Christ Jesus
We share in each of us
We share as the church as whole
We are His body -17 For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread.
See Christ body given for you Not only at the cross but in His life and ministry
See Christ in the breaking of the bread ask for the Lord to open your eyes to see