

## A Burning Heart

### Luke 24

**13** Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. **14** They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. **15** As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; **16** but they were kept from recognizing him.

**17** He asked them, “**What are you discussing** together as you walk along?”

They stood still, their faces downcast. **18** One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “**Are you the only one** visiting Jerusalem **who does not know** the things that have happened there in these days?”

- *Two unfamiliar Disciples are leaving Jerusalem, overwhelmed and discouraged they are discussing the Lord..*
- *In their conversation about the Lord a third unexpected person joins the conversation... “they were kept from recognizing him”*
- *oh It is like the Lord to join the conversation when it is about him...*

### Vs. 17

He asked them, “**What are you discussing** together as you walk along?”

- *The Lord pries his way right into the conversation...*
- *Like a nosy Shepherd would work his way into his flock...*
- *Because the Lord is interested in the heart of his Disciples...*

What are you discussing?

**Vs. 18** Cleopas responds... “**Are you the only one** visiting Jerusalem **who does not know** the things that have happened there in these days?”

- *Oh it is like the Lord to ask such a question... What are you discussing?*
- *Unaware of who they are talking to they say... “Are you the only one who does not know...”*
- *Truth is: Don’t we sometimes do the same thing...*
- *When our Faith is low and our hearts are heavy we think God is somehow unaware or he has forgotten us...*

## **Vs. 19-21**

**19** “What things?” he asked.

“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. **20** The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; **21** but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.

- *The Lord continues to pull more out of them, He says **what things?***
- *It is as if the deep concern they are carrying, he is not carrying...*
- *While they are rolling in discouragement, he is not defeated...*
- *God has already fixed the Problem; They are upset about something that doesn't even exist anymore and they don't know it...*
- *The Faithfulness of God has again surpassed the Faith of these Disciples...*

About Jesus of Nazareth... they crucified him... **we had hoped that he was the one...**

- *The Disciples had witnessed a difficult thing and circumstances didn't go the way they expected...*
- *Can you imagine how they must have felt?*
- *They said to Jesus - about Jesus, **“We had hoped that he was the one”***
  
- *Have you ever been there?*
- *I had hoped that he was the one...*
- *I had hoped that he would have intervened...*
- *I had hoped that he would have done something different...*
- *God I had hope but now... my hope seems to be dead...*

## **Vs. 22-24**

- *Others are claiming to see Angels...*
- *Others are saying that He is alive...*
- *But as far as we can tell our hope is still dead...*

## Vs. 25-26

**25** He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! **26** Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?”

“How foolish you are, and how slow to believe... Did not the Messiah have to suffer

- *Jesus is shocked by their unbelief...*
- *This is the part where Jesus reminds them He came for a Purpose...*
- *Did not the Messiah have to suffer*
- *Pain was a part of his purpose...*
- *Peter at one point tried to stop the Lord*

## Matthew 16

**21** From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.

**22** Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. “Never, Lord!” he said. “This shall never happen to you!”

**23** Jesus turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; you do not have in mind the concerns of God, but merely human concerns.”

**29** But **they urged him** strongly, “**Stay with us**, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” **So he went in** to stay with them.

**30** **When he was at the table** with them, **he took bread, gave thanks, broke it** and began to **give it to them**. **31** **Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him**, and he disappeared from their sight.

**32** They asked each other, “**Were not our hearts burning within us** while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

### The Bible says:

They urged him, stay with us, So he went in.

When he was at the table

he took bread, broke it, give it to them.

Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him,

## The Key to a Burning Heart:

They walked with Jesus and talk with him...

They walking with Jesus, heard his Word...

They sat at the Table with Jesus...

They sat while he broke bread and received from Him...

## Vs. 33,34

**33** They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together **34** and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon."

The Bible Says:

1. They Got up and Returned to Jerusalem
2. They Found the Eleven Disciples
3. They Assembled Together
4. They Declared "It is true! The Lord is risen"

When You Have a Burning Heart:

1. You go back to the right place
2. You go back to the right people
3. You go back to the right perspective