

“Good News”: A Series in the Gospels (Part 5)

The Gospel of Luke tells the story of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection. The companion to the Gospel account Luke wrote was Acts, which retells the work of Jesus' Spirit after His ascension, and the story of the movement of people He inspired.

Luke Chapter 24:

This chapter concludes Luke's portrait of Jesus of Nazareth. The disciples discover the empty tomb and eventually have their entire view of the world turned upside down as they meet the risen Jesus. Luke shows us Jesus' kingdom of God mission to its climactic moment, and he sets the stage for its continuation in his second volume, Acts.

*all scriptures used in Luke 24 are from The Passion Translation (TPT)

-The Empty Tomb (v.1-12)

—>**5b** The men in white said to them, “Why would you look for the living One[c] in a tomb? He is not here, for he has risen!” (c: The Aramaic text is literally “*The Life.*”)

—>**12** But Peter jumped up and ran the entire distance to the tomb to see for himself. Stooping down, he looked inside and discovered it was empty! There was only the linen sheet lying there. Staggered by this, he walked away, wondering what it meant.

-The Road to Emmaus (v.13-35)

—>**14–15** They were in the midst of a discussion about all the events of the last few days when Jesus walked up and accompanied them in their journey.

—>**31** All at once their eyes were opened and they realized it was Jesus! Then suddenly, in a flash, Jesus vanished from before their eyes!

32 Stunned, they looked at each other and said, “Why didn’t we recognize it was him? Didn’t our hearts burn with the flames of holy passion while we walked beside him? He unveiled for us such profound revelation from the Scriptures!”

-Visiting His Disciples (v.36-49)

—>**37b** “Be at peace. I am the living God. Don’t be afraid. **38** Why would you be so frightened? Don’t let doubt or fear[jj]enter your hearts, for I AM! (j: The Aramaic reads “*imaginations.*”)

—>**45** He *supernaturally unlocked their understanding*to receive the revelation of the Scriptures; **49** And I will send the fulfillment of the Father’s promise[m]to you. (m: The Aramaic reads “*the kingdom*” or “*rule.*” The Father’s promise would be the coming of the Holy Spirit to live in them and empower them. See [Acts 2:1-12.](#))

-Jesus’ Ascension (v.50-53)

—>**51** While he was still speaking out words of love and blessing, *he floated off the ground into the sky*, ascending into heaven before their very eyes! **52** And all they could do was worship him.