## Il's Friday - bul Sunday's coming!

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# It's Friday but Sunday's Coming!



# Who were you expecting? Luke 24:13-35



"There is nothing God doesn't know about your life. You may know the past and present, but God also knows the future. Choose today to walk securely - not in what you know, but in what you believe." David Jeremiah

## "A man who walks with God always gets to his destination." Henrietta C. Mears



Luke 24:13 And behold, two of them were going that very day to a village named Emmaus, which was about seven miles from Jerusalem.



#### **New Testament** cities near Jerusalem

#### Emmaus

## Jerusalem

About 7 miles 2+ hours walking

Hammat & Nikopolis

Bethphage

Bethany

Bethlehem & E

River

Jordan

# 14 And they were talking with each other about all these things which had taken place.



15 While they were talking and discussing, Jesus Himself approached and began traveling with them.



# 16 But their eyes were prevented from recognizing Him.



17 And He said to them, "What are these words that you are exchanging with one another as you are walking?" And they stood still, looking sad.



18 One of them, named Cleopas, answered and said to Him, "Are You the only one visiting Jerusalem and unaware of the things which have happened here in these days?"

19 And He said to them, "What things?" And they said to Him, "The things about Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word in the sight of God and all the people,



20 and how the chief priests and our rulers delivered Him to the sentence of death and crucified Him.



21 But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, it is the third day since these things happened.

#### 22 But also some women among us amazed us. When they were at the tomb early in the morning,



23 and did not find His body, they came, saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said that He was alive.



#### 24 Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just exactly as the women also had said; but Him they did not see."



#### **Broken Hearts 13-24**

- Still Sunday Passover weekend Unleavened Bread
- Inaugural Day of Redemption Jesus takes time to walk with two
- Luke names one of the men his source?
- He knew why they were sad they did not yet know not to be!
- They assumed He did not know!

### **Broken Hearts 13-24**

#### • Notice the details:

- knew His name and hometown
- knew that He was a prophet
- knew He was mighty in deeds
- knew He was crucified
- knew He was to redeem Israel
- Jesus was listening to hear of their faith NOT their facts!





#### Luke 24:25 And He said to them, "O foolish men and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken!



# 26 Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer these things and to enter into His glory?"



27 Then beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.



28 And they approached the village where they were going, and He acted as though He were going farther.

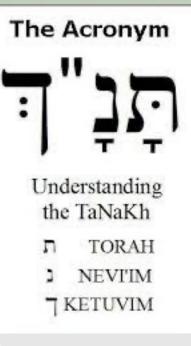


29 But they urged Him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is getting toward evening, and the day is now nearly over." So He went in to stay with them.



## Listening Ears 25-29

- Slow of heart not slow of mind
- Beginning with Moses and the Prophets
- To tell a story they could not imagine Jesus took them down all the familiar paths
- When they reached home they asked Him to stay





## Listening Ears 25-29

- Gen 3:15
- Abrahamic Promise
- Melchizedek
- Isaac offered
- Jacob's sons
- Tribe of Judah
- Burning Bush

- Passover Lamb
- Joshua in the Land
- Ruth redeemed
- Davidic Promise
- Psalm 23
- Isaiah 53
- Daniel



# "All who walk toward the King become more humble with every step."



Luke 24:30 When He had reclined at the table with them, He took the bread and blessed it, and breaking it, He began giving it to them.



# 31 Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him; and He vanished from their sight.



32 They said to one another, "Were not our hearts burning within us while He was speaking to us on the road, while He was explaining the Scriptures to us?"



## **Opening Eyes 30-32**

- Jesus begins by 'breaking bread' NOT communion!
- Eyes were opened by miracle or majesty?
- Now it all made sense!
  - Hearts burning
  - Speaking on the road
  - Explaining Scriptures
- Then He vanished as in the Upper Room



*"We may not judge men by their occasional feelings."* C.H. Spurgeon



Luke 24:33 And they got up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found gathered together the eleven and those who were with them,



# 34 saying, "The Lord has really risen and has appeared to Simon."



35 They began to relate their experiences on the road and how He was recognized by them in the breaking of the bread.



#### Running Feet 33-35

- Too tired to go on yet now ran all the way back!
- Verified to Apostles He is alive!
  Recognized by 'breaking of bread' 5000?



# *"Salvation is not the journey – it is the gate! Faithfulness is the journey."*



## Who are we expecting?

- When we are discouraged Sunday is coming!
- When we are frightened Sunday is coming!
- When we are unsure Sunday is coming!
- When we are confused Sunday is coming!
- When we are lost Sunday is coming!
- Who are you expecting this Sunday?



"Middle miles – drudgery between the thrill of the beginning and the relief of the end."



