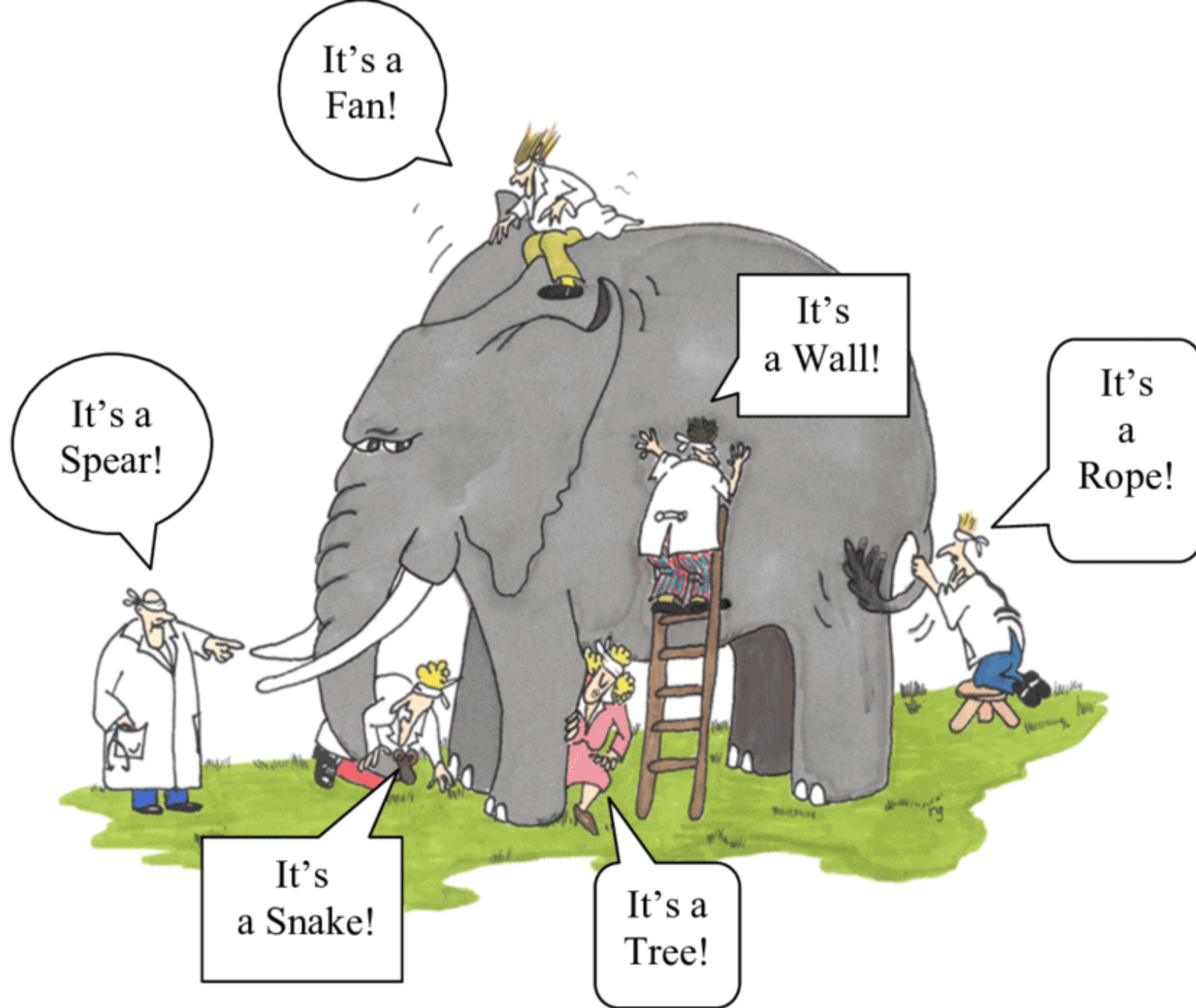


# **Recognizing The Work of Jesus In My Life**

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## **Luke 24:13-35 NKJV**

**Now behold, two of them were traveling that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> And they talked together of all these things which had happened. <sup>15</sup> So it was, while they conversed and reasoned, that Jesus Himself drew near and went with them.**



## **Luke 24:13-35 NKJV**

**16 But their eyes were restrained, so that they did not know Him. 17 And He said to them, “What kind of conversation is this that you have with one another as you walk and are sad?” 18 Then the one whose name was Cleopas answered and said to Him, “Are You the only stranger in Jerusalem, and have You not known the things which happened there in these days?”**

## **Luke 24:13-35 NKJV**

**19 And He said to them, “What things?” So they said to Him, “The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who 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 crucified Him. 21 But we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel. Indeed, besides all this, today is**

## **Luke 24:13-35 NKJV**

**the third day since these things happened. 22 Yes, and certain women of our company, who arrived at the tomb early, astonished us. 23 When they did not find His body, they came saying that they had also seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. 24 And certain of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but Him they did not see.” 25 Then He**



## **Luke 24:13-35 NKJV**

**said to them, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?” 27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. 28 Then they drew near to the village where they were going, and He indicated that He**

## **Luke 24:13-35 NKJV**

would have gone farther. 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 stay with them. 30 Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31 Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. 32 And they said to



## **Luke 24:13-35 NKJV**

**one another, “Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?” 33 So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, 34 saying, “The Lord is risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” 35 And they told about the things that had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of bread.**

# Daily Prayer

**Lord help me to recognize when You are present and at work in my life today.**

**Luke 24:32 NKJV**

**And they said to one another, “Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?”**



# Truth

**The Holy Spirit speaks to our hearts and minds about truth and deception (discernment). He tells us this IS from God and that is NOT from God.**

# Obstacles To Our Perception of Jesus At Work In Our Lives:

1. Negativity.

## **Philippians 4:6-8 NKJV**

**Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; 7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever**



## **Philippians 4:6-8 NKJV**

**things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.**

# Obstacles To Our Perception of Jesus At Work In Our Lives:

1. Negativity.

# Obstacles To Our Perception of Jesus At Work In Our Lives:

1. Negativity.
2. Selective Understanding.



# Truth

**Jesus may be at work and we might be waiting for a more favorable answer or direction than the one He chooses to give us.**

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- 3. Assumed Moral Certainty.**



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5. Clinging to the past.

## **Philippians 3:12-14 NKJV**

**Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. <sup>13</sup> Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.**



# Truth

**Maybe the very thing we are trying to "pray away" in our lives is the thing God wants to use. He wants to draw us closer to him and minister to others, but it sometimes looks different than we think it should.**









# Truth

**What I perceive as a trial or disaster can be used by God to display  
His love and glory through my life.**



# Truth

**We are not always privy to God's plans. God help us to see things  
Your way rather than giving up when we don't understand.**

# Declaration

**I want to walk in greater faith!**

## **Luke 16:27-31 NKJV**

**“Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house, <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup> Abraham said to him, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup> And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup> But he said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.’ ”**

# Prayer

**God, when I am hurting, heal my pain. When I doubt You, show me the way. Let me know that your strength is my strength. Help me to walk today in peace, understanding and love.**

**-Anonymous**