

STORY

Emmaus Disciples - Mark 16:12, 13; Luke 24:13-35

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TEACHER PRAYER

Lord, Abide with us as You stayed and taught the Emmaus disciples. Help us to use Your Word to teach those You have given unto us to teach in our Sunday School class. Let us never forget Your sacrifice for our sins, nor Your return on the third day as our victorious, living Redeemer. Bless our preparations and the teaching of Your Easter history that we may give a message to share with those who do not yet know You as their living Savior. Amen.

VOCABULARY

Restrained - The Emmaus disciples were prevented from recognizing Jesus. Jesus wished to open their spiritual eyes by teaching from His Word.

Constrained - The disciples invited, begged, urged Jesus to stay.

OUTER AIM

Jesus gladdened the hearts of two disciples by telling them about their risen Savior.

INNER AIM

God's Word makes us certain that Jesus is our risen Savior.

BACKGROUND

(Rupprecht Bible History References Vol. 2, pp. 435-441)

We have heard how Jesus appeared to Mary and the other women early on Easter morning. Today we hear that Jesus appeared to two other disciples going to Emmaus.. They were sad as they talked of the events that had happened in Jerusalem. Jesus will gladden their hearts by His message from God's Word and by His showing Himself alive to them.

- ▶ The two disciples were Cleopas and an unnamed disciple, who were not members of the twelve.
- ▶ It was now early afternoon on that first Easter Sunday.
- ▶ The town of Emmaus was six or seven miles from Jerusalem.
- ▶ We can see and hear the despair of the two disciples. They are confused because their faith is floundering. The words of the women and the news of Peter and John's visit to the empty tomb seemed to these two men like nonsense. (V. 11)
- ▶ Jesus, as only He can do, opened the Scriptures to these men. Beginning from the books of Moses and continuing through the prophets Jesus taught them about the Savior.
- ▶ At the meal the Lord acted as host, not guest, and when their eyes of faith were opened the Lord also opened their physical eyes to see their Savior.
- ▶ With ecstatic joy they ran back to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples the great news. There they heard the good news that Jesus had also appeared to Peter sometime that day.
- ▶ The Lord is risen!

STUDENT PRAYER

Lower: Dear Father in Heaven,

Abide with us as You stayed with the Emmaus disciples. Help us listen to, learn and live Your Word. Help me also to tell others about the Savior who died and rose again to pay for the sins of the world. Please keep our faith strong. In Jesus' name we ask. Amen.

Upper: Lord Jesus, I thank You that You died for my sins and rose again with the victory over death. In You I have life! Thank You for giving me parents, pastors and teachers to teach me Your Word. Make me a faithful witness of this Good News to all people. Amen.

PRESENTATION

Tell the story with the same emotion and excitement as if you were there. Tell the story in your words, but be faithful to the account that God wrote through Luke and referred to in Mark.

APPLICATIONS

1. How hopeless, helpless, joyless we would be if Jesus had not risen from the dead! (1 Corinthians 15:17) However, we can be assured by God's Word that our faith is not in vain. Christ is alive! All we need to do is turn to the Word of God for proof. God's Word makes us certain that Jesus is our risen Savior. (John 5:39; Romans 10:17)
2. When our parents, teachers, and pastors teach us the Word of God it is like Jesus speaking to us Himself, just like He did to the disciples in our lesson. That is why we should hear His Word in church, in school, and at home. We need to know that Jesus is our Savior. He suffered, died, and rose again to pay for all of our sins and to conquer death and hell.
3. The Old Testament is filled with Prophecies concerning the Messiah. They are all fulfilled in Jesus. May we learn them for our strengthening and comfort.
4. This lesson shows us the ecstatic joy of the disciples. We too can have this same joy as we learn of our Savior.

PASSAGES

These passages can be assigned as memory work or simply discussed in class as to how they fit the lesson.

Lower

Romans 10:17 - "So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God."

John 5:39 - "You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me." (You may want to take only the first part for a memory verse.)

TLH Hymn #53, stanzas 1 & 4

Middle any of the above and...

Matthew 16:16 - "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

TLH Hymn# 552, stanzas 1, 3, 8

Upper any of the above and...

1 Corinthians 12:3 - "No one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit."

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The Story

Parents: Review this lesson with your child.

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Today we will find out about a man named Cleopas, and another man who would walk with Jesus, (but wouldn't even know that it is Jesus).

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As they walked, Jesus came near and went along with them, but they were not able to recognize Him. Jesus said, "What are you talking about that has made you sad?"

Cleopas said, "Are You a stranger here that You do not know all that has just happened in Jerusalem?"

Jesus said, "What things?" Do you think Jesus knew what had happened?

Cleopas and the other disciple told Jesus all about what happened to Jesus when He was on trial, how He died, and then how, today, some women had seen an angel who told them Jesus was alive. Even two disciples had seen the empty grave, but did not see Jesus.

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When they came to Emmaus, the two disciples asked Jesus, "Abide with us, for it is almost evening." Jesus went into their house to stay with them.

When they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed it and gave it to them. Right when they ate it, the disciples were able to

recognize Jesus! As soon as the disciples recognized Jesus, He disappeared from their sight.

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Passage

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Hymn - TLH #53 v. 1

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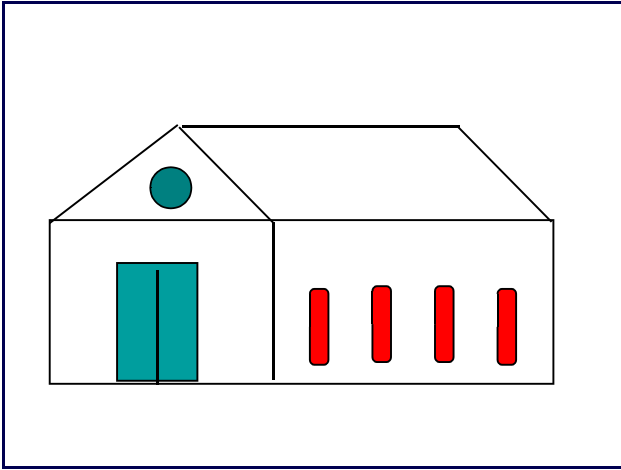
Classroom Activity - Trace your student's hand with fingers together so that the passage is in the hand and looks like praying hands. Learn the passage as you are tracing and coloring your project.



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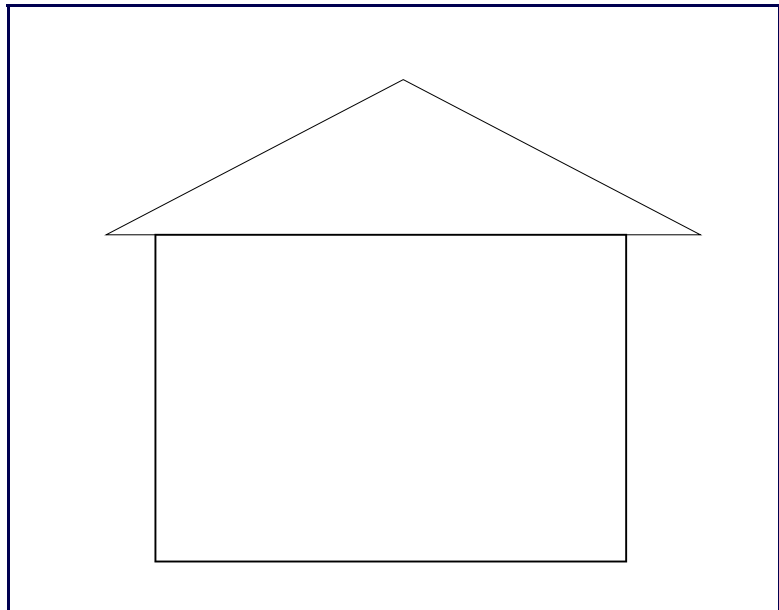
Classroom Activity - Help the students finish the pictures. Make a cross on the church roof and make a door and windows on the house.

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Romans 10:17

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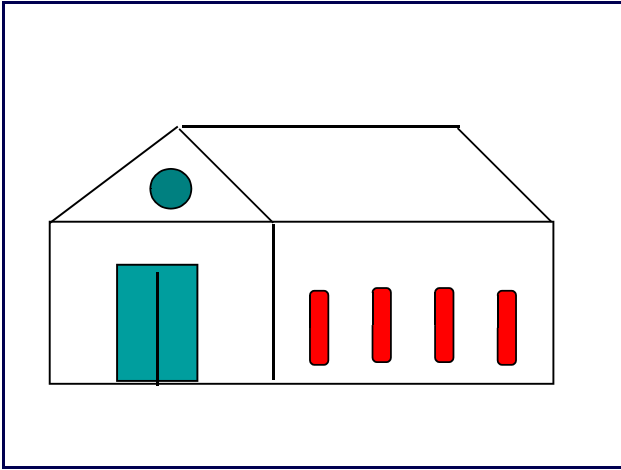


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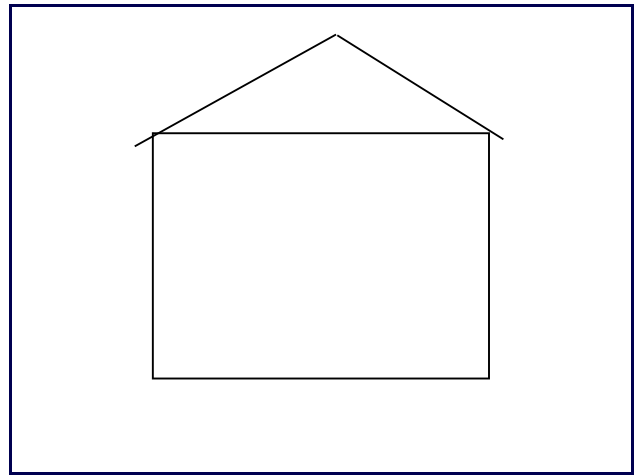
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Review

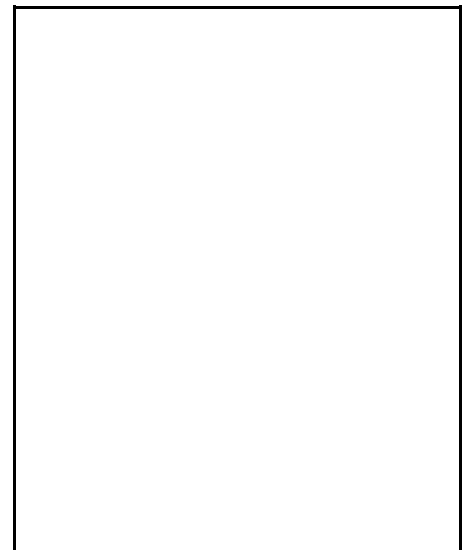
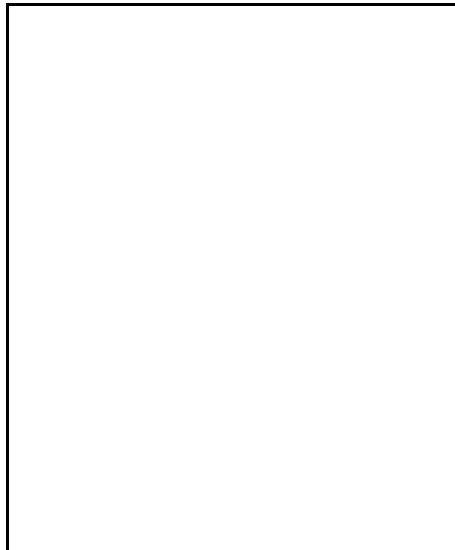
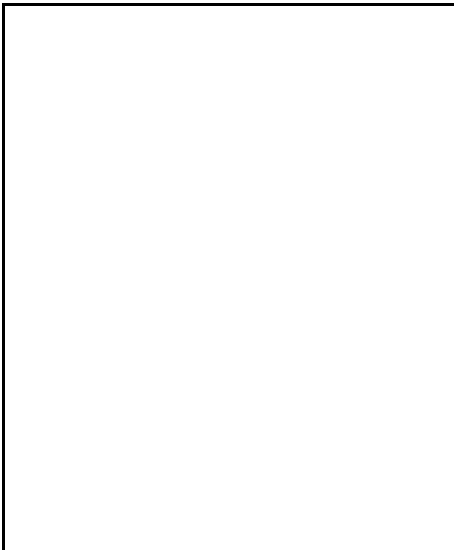
- Match the letter of the correct answer with the sentence.

1. ____ and another disciple were walking together.
2. They were feeling ____ as they were talking about Jesus.
3. ____ started to walk with them, but they didn't recognize Him.
4. Jesus taught them from the ____.
5. They said, " ____ with us. It is almost evening."
6. Jesus gave ____ and broke bread.
7. They were able to recognize Jesus and He ____.
8. ____ they went back to Jerusalem to tell the eleven disciples that they had seen Jesus.

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| A. | Bible |
| B. | disappeared |
| C. | Cleopas |
| D. | immediately |
| E. | abide |
| F. | sad |
| G. | thanks |
| H. | Jesus |

Activity

- The two Emmaus disciples heard the Word of God directly from Jesus. Draw pictures of three places where you hear God's Word.



Passages

“So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.” Romans 10:17

“For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost.” Matthew 18:11

God’s Word makes us certain that Jesus is our risen Savior.

Hymn - TLH #53 v. 1 & 4

Abide, O dearest Jesus,
Among us with Thy grace
That Satan may not harm us
Nor we to sin give place.

Abide with richest blessings
Among us, bounteous Lord;
Let us in grace and wisdom
Grow daily through Thy Word.

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Does this picture remind you of another Bible lesson?



Today two disciples will go from sorrow to joy in only a few hours.

What will make the change?

What keeps us from despair?

Prayer

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That Satan may not harm us nor we to sin give place.

Abide, O dear Redeemer, among us with Thy Word
And thus now and hereafter true peace and joy afford.

The Story - Luke 24:13-35

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

{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 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 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 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 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.

Outer Aim

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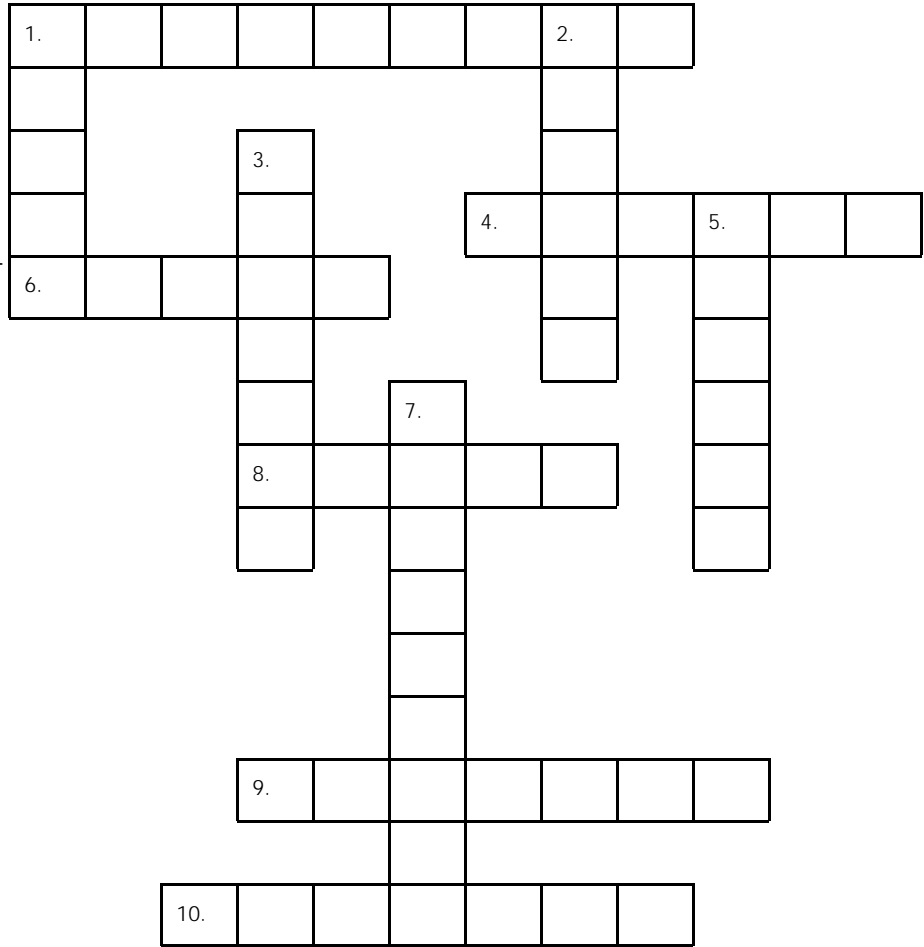
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1 Corinthians 12:3 - "No one can say that _____ is _____ except by the _____."

Review - Fill in the Crossword Puzzle with the answers from the Word Box below the puzzle..

Across

1. The two disciples were coming from ____ where the events of Easter had taken place.
4. This lesson took place on ____.
6. It was ____ miles from Jerusalem to Emmaus.
8. The disciples said to Jesus, " ____ with us for it is nearly evening."
9. Jesus ____ the bread, broke it and gave it to them.
10. The two disciples ____ back to Jerusalem to tell the good news of Jesus.



Down

1. The two disciples did not recognize ____.
2. They were on their way home to ____.
3. One disciple was named ____.
5. Jesus ____ them from the Old Testament.
7. After He broke bread, Jesus ____ed.

WORD BOX

ABIDE	BLESSED	CLEOPAS
JESUS	HURRIED	EASTER
SEVEN	EMMAUS	TAUGHT
DISAPPEAR	JERUSALEM	

Inner Aim

God's Word makes us certain that Jesus is our risen Savior.

What God Tells Us

The Emmaus disciples learned about Jesus by listening to Jesus Himself teach them about God's Word. Name 3 places where you hear about God's Word. Share your answers with your class and name specific names like Bethel Church.

Now that we know the wonderful message of Jesus we will want to hurry to tell others. Name some ways you can share that message now and when you are older.

Hymn - TLH #552 v. 1, 3, 8 Discuss each stanza 's meaning together as a class.

Abide with me! Fast falls the eventide;
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When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, oh, abide with me!

Not a brief glance I beg, a passing word,
But as Thou dwell'st with Thy disciples, Lord,
Familiar, condescending, patient, free.
Come not to sojourn, but abide with me.

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Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
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(See John 5:39 for the answer.)

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Review - Make these incorrect sentences true by crossing off the incorrect word and writing the correct word above it.

1. Two disciples were traveling to Bethlehem.
2. That village is fifty miles from Jerusalem.
3. They were discussing the events leading to Easter and were joyful.
4. Peter came and walked with them but they did not recognize Him.
5. The writings of the New Testament were used to teach these two disciples.
6. John and the other disciple asked Jesus to abide or stay with them.
7. Jesus took the bread, broke it and spread it before He gave it to the disciples.
8. Their ears were opened and they recognized Jesus.
9. They said their hearts calmed when they heard Jesus speak of the Scriptures.
10. Much later they went to Jerusalem to tell the eleven disciples that they had seen Jesus.

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Time for Discussion

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