

Jesus Appears to the Emmaus Disciples

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



Does this picture remind you of a Bible lesson?

Today two disciples will go from sorrow to joy in only a few hours because they listen to and speak with Jesus, whom they thought was dead.

How do we know that Jesus is alive and has kept His Word?
(See John 5:39 for the answer.)

Prayer

Abide, O dearest Jesus, among us with Thy grace
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 24:13-25

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?"

Outer Aim

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

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.

Inner Aim

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

Time for Discussion

1. List places where you hear God's Word. Use specific names like *Bethel Church*.

2. List ways you can share God's Word now and when you are older. Share your ideas with your classmates.

Passages - Fill in the blanks of these passages. Do as many as you can before you find them in the Bible.

Romans 10:17 - "So then _____ comes by _____, and hearing by the _____."

John 5:39 - "You _____ the _____, for in them you think you have eternal _____; and these are they which _____ of Me."

Matthew 16:16 - "You are the _____, the _____ of the _____."

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

Hymn - TLH #552 v. 1, 3, 6, 8 Discuss each stanza's meaning together as a class.

Abide with me! Fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
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 dweltst with Thy disciples, Lord,
Familiar, condescending, patient, free.
Come not to sojourn, but abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the Tempter's power?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, oh, abide with me!

Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes,
Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me!

Prayer

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.