

Luke 24:13-36

When Jesus Draws Near

V13- That very day (Easter Sunday)

V14- They were speaking of holy events.
The events of God.

Phil 4:8 -Finally, brothers and sisters,
whatever is true, whatever is noble,
whatever is right, whatever is pure,
whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable
—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy
—think about such things.

Deut. 6:6-8 ⁶ These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. ⁷ You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up. ⁸ You shall bind them as a sign on your hand and they shall be as frontals on your forehead.

V15- While they were speaking of the holy words of God, Jesus joined them.

V16- “their eyes were prevented”

Many people believe Jesus lived, and many people believe Jesus died.

It is only by FAITH, that people believe that Jesus rose and is alive today.

V17- Jesus asks probing questions to test and to grow the faith of His disciples.

“What are these words you are saying”
What do they mean and what do they mean to you?

V18-20 They understood some of “the things”, but had limited understanding.

They knew Jesus was a prophet, did miracles, was betrayed and delivered to the chief priests, was sentenced to death, and crucified.

They hoped Jesus would redeem Israel.

They had lost hope.

21- “We were hoping”

Have you lost hope? Think about it. Does Jesus sometimes do things you don't understand? Often the effect is, we lose hope. Our faith is tried.

They felt they had no hope, we occasionally may feel the same way.

Their goal was for Jesus to redeem Israel. His goal was to redeem the world!

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V25-27 Foolish, slow to believe, **Why?**
They could not understand “the things”
(v 14, v18, v19, v26, v27)

“Don’t fear, only believe”.

26- The Messiah would suffer **BEFORE**
entering His glory.

This was not the end of hope;

This was the beginning of hope.

Prophet like Moses, bronze serpent, Son of David, The suffering servant, Son of man, born of a virgin, in Bethlehem, etc...

Holy One of Israel, but one who would suffer, the new covenant, great high priest (Psalm 118) rejected stone coming in the name of The Lord

All prophecies united in the Risen Jesus

Jer. 29:13 “And ye shall seek me, and find *me*, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.”

V30- We gain a closer relationship with Jesus as we seek, trust, and obey Him. Communion draws us to remembrance.

V32- “These things” affect our hearts; they bring us to Jesus, and Jesus brings us to life

V33-35 Once they knew the Lord had risen, they ran to tell others.

V29/33- The late hour was not important

V34- “The Lord has risen”. Jesus has really risen. He is risen from the dead

V35- How was He recognized- In the breaking of the bread.

Who Jesus once was, the suffering servant, He is no more. Now He is Lord.

Jesus has taken His throne

V36 Suddenly Jesus appeared in their midst and said:

“Peace be to you”.

Maybe you need peace today.

Come to Jesus today.

Mark 8:34

Then he called the crowd to him along with His disciples and said: “Whoever wants to be My disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow Me.

Come to Jesus right now.