

Luke 24.13-35

Walk by Faith Not Sight

Luke wanting Theophilus to Believe and Obey Lord Jesus Christ

Longest Book in NT – Thorough Presentation – Life, Death, Resurrection

Luke only Gospel Author Never Met Jesus: Matt, John Apostles, Mark 14.51!

Luke 1.1-4 Historian/Researcher, Interviewed Eye-Witnesses

Jesus GONE! How will Theophilus Believe/Follow > Trust the Scriptures!

Closest Connection to Jesus we will have in Life Found in Pages of Book!

Easter AFTERNOON > 2 Despondent Disciples > Aimlessly Walking

CROSS – TOMB – ALIVE > REALLY Dead & ALIVE

NOT Easy to BELIEVE – Can that REALLY Happen – ‘some doubted’

Startled – Frightened – Troubled – Doubting – Joy & Amazement

1. Disciples in Despair

a. Directionless activities

vs. 13,14 That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened.

Husband & Wife? Friends? Not peaceful stroll, in Panic & Fear from Gethsema

Then everyone deserted him and fled. Mark 14.50

"I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them & they said, "We'll go with you." John 21.3

REAL STRUGGLE > HONEST DOUBTS > TRUTH of GOSPEL

If SOMEONE INVENTING Religion – CREATING OWN FAITH

WHY would Key BELIEVERS be FILLED w/ Doubts and Failures??

b. Denial of Reality

vs. 18 “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” And he said to them, “What things?”

WHINING Interrupted – Rudely? – By Stranger? – What do U Want?

HEAR the SARCASM DRIPPING from his VOICE

Are you the ONLY 1 in Jerusalem who LIVES UNDER A ROCK?

Jesus > As MATTER of FACT I've BEEN inside a TOMB for 3 Days!

BLINDED - Prophet and Redeemer of Israel in FRONT OF THEM

// Pontius Pilate > ‘What is Truth?’ > TRUTH Right in FRONT of him

v. 16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing him.”

REPORT HEARD > BUT REJECTED it was Impossible > WOMEN!!

v. 22 some women of our company amazed us

Do not see SOLUTION to their despair v. 17 "they stood still, looking sad"

// Mary Magdalene at Tomb - thought Jesus was Gardener - John 20.15

Don't see Jesus, All OUT OF PERSPECTIVE, LOSS OF MEANING

He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. Colossians 1.17

MAN'S Most FUNDAMENTAL Problem is THEOLOGICAL

Contrary to what 2 on Road Thot: ONLY Person Knew what Going On Jesus

c. Distorted Gospel LONGEST Speeches in LK – Most CONFUSED!

vs. 19 Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed & word before God & all the people, and how our chief priests & rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the 3rd day since these things happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, they did not find his body”

Devout JEWS > Knew the SCRIPTURES > But Improper Interpretation

Recognized Jesus as PROPHET, longed for REDEEMER OF ISRAEL

FAIR Summary of PART of the GOSPEL

vs. 19 "a man who was a prophet" FAITH IN THE PAST TENSE

vs. 21 "we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel"

v. 21 it is now the third day since these things happened

THIRD DAY – LOOK HOW LONG! NOTHING YET!

Jesus: "The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."

Luke 9.22

Gospel without the Resurrection is not merely a Gospel without its final chapter; it is not a gospel at all.

Michael Ramsey

IF Jesus NOT ALIVE, All WRONG with World will Never be RIGHT

Do WE Get GOSPEL RIGHT Today? Very IMPORTANT Question

GOSPEL > NOT What YOU Can DO Yourself

IF YOU can DO It > It is NOT the GOSPEL > We DID it SPOIL IT!

Thot Cross DESTROYED Hope for Redemption, Won our Redemption

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners
1 Timothy 1.15

For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.
1 Peter 3.18

We have one who speaks to the Father in our defense--Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.
1 John 2.1,2

MISSIONARY IN INDIA - befriended Hindu PEARL DIVER

told about the free gift of salvation in Jesus Christ

NO! would prepare for Next life - CRAWLING TO DELHI 900 miles

Before Left gave Missionary a Beautiful Giant Pearl

WANTED TO PAY FOR IT - Hindu Man REFUSED

OBTAINED BY ONLY SON - DOVE VERY DEEP - DIED BRINGING IT UP >

what price could he pay for such a gift?

THEN HE UNDERSTOOD SACRIFICE OF JESUS FOR OUR SINS

2. Confrontation with Christ

a. Correctly applies Truth Incarnate Word rightly Interprets the Word

vs.25-27 “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

HARD Words BROUGHT THEM CLOSER, NOT DRIVE AWAY!!!

"How foolish you are!" JESUS Words !!! > Need Audio/Visual

Cannot SEE TWINKLE in Eye and HOPEFUL Tone in VOICE

‘Come on Guys!’ – Don’t be SO DENSE – GET a CLUE Here!

v. 25 Rebukes // vs. 26 Questions // vs. 27 Instructs

NOT Told SPECIFIC Passages of HEBREW Scriptures He CITED

Genesis 3 – Seed of Woman crushes Head of Serpent

Exodus 12 – Passover Lamb slain for Deliverance

Leviticus 16 – Day of Atonement for Nation

Numbers 21 – Bronze Serpent Lifted Up to Save

Deuteronomy 27 – Blood Sprinkled on God’s Altar

Isaiah 53 – Servant Wounded for our Iniquities

Zechariah 3 – Atonement made for Land in Single Day

Psalms 2 – God’s Son promised the Nations

Psalms 110 – Son reigns in Glory at Right Hand of God

Daniel 7 – Son of Man given Eternal Kingdom by Ancient of Days

MAY be SOME of TEXTS of Jesus’ Afternoon Bible Survey Course

BIBLE Study I WISH I ATTENDED > Great TEACHING Event

NT gives us the NOTES – 4 Gospels, Sermons of Apostles > Christ!

Jesus is not just here or there in this prediction or that prophecy; he is everywhere in the Old Testament.

Philip Ryken

RESURRECTION Necessary BRIDGE to Connect OT to Lord Jesus

RISEN Jesus is SUFFERING Servant – Messiah same as David’s Son

Jews expected DIFFERENT People to FULFILL Diverse PROMISES

TEXT for the Apostle’s Sermons in ACTS & Epistles is the OT

For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God. 2 Cor 1.20

Jesus is the key to understanding the Bible, and the Bible is the key to understanding Jesus - cannot understand one w/out other

b. Checks for a Commitment v. 28 So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther

"acted as if He was going farther" NO NEUTRAL POSITION

NOT PLAYING Games > WORLD to NOW REACH > Moving Out!

NOWHERE in NT – Jesus or Apostles IMPOSE Faith on ANYONE

Xtian GOSPEL NOT SHARIAH Law > Want to WALK AWAY? GO!

v. 29 but they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent.” So he went in to stay with them.

"they STRONGLY URGED Him, stay with us"

Jesus Gentleman / Not BIG BAD WOLF Huffs & Puffs & Blows Down

"Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will go in and eat with him and he with me." Revelation 3.20

He does NOT BREAK DOOR DOWN, Stands OUTSIDE & KNOCKS

c. Calls to walk by faith NOT Inn / B & B > ONLY Emmaus BROTHEL

LIKELY THEIR HOUSE > But Jesus given Position as HEAD There

v. 30,31 When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight.

There is an air of finality...It is the decisive close of one chapter and the beginning of another...The can expect to see him in the old way no more. Leon Morris

FAMILIAR Formula – Used in Feeding 5000 – LAST SUPPER

vs. 30 Takes Bread, Gave Thanks, Broke Bread, DISAPPEARS

Manner of Prayer – Words Spoken – Pierced Hands > GOD Opened Eyes

Why did He disappear? What a great time they could have had?

Why did Jesus, once he was recognized, disappear?

1) New Covenant "we live by faith not by sight" 2 Corinthians 5.7

No manna to eat, no Mt. Sinai to climb, no Temple to sacrifice

We want to hold something, Pastor, spouse, friend, traditions, church

As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters--one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.) Luke 9.33

THEY COULD NOT BASK in GLORY of TRANSGURATION

Garden on Easter morning, Mary Magdelene wanted to cling to Jesus

"Jesus said, Do not hold on to me for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them." John 20.17

ALL OF THESE WILL PASS AWAY: Naked Promise of WORD OF GOD

"Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, and his worshippers MUST worship in spirit and truth." John 4.23

2) Big work yet to be done v. 47 and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Jerusalem – CENTER of Luke > Jesus ENTERED > Church EXITS

NO Earthly CENTER > Rome – Wheaton – Seoul – Beijing - Nairobi

IMAGINE if Jesus was IN 1 CITY – Who would GO OUT from There?

THEME of Luke – JESUS present by His WORD and SPIRIT

Savior of World – with Church Around World – by Word and Spirit

Spiritual Presence EVERY City – Village – Nation – Land > with HIM!

3. Revitalized by Resurrection

a. Rejoice in the living Jesus vs.33 And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!” Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Now NOTHING IN EMMAUS for Them, New Purpose and Direction

"Weeping my last for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning"

Completely Transformed - won lottery? miracle? new job?

ONLY ONE THING CHANGED - THEY MET JESUS

Even if we cannot fully explain the resurrection, we can still believe it and tell other people about it.

Philip Ryken

b. Remain in Jesus thru Spirit by Word

v. 32 They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” "

Did they miss him? Undoubtedly. Would they like Him back? Surely

Were they still "Disciples in Despair?" NO WAY!! REJOICING !!

vs. 32 " hearts burned as understood Jesus and the Scriptures"

INSEPERABLE CONNECTION - Jesus, Scriptures, and the Holy Spirit

I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone, for salvation; and an assurance was given me that he had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death.

John Wesley

"If you remain in me and MY WORDS REMAIN IN YOU, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given to you."

John 15.7

"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

John 8.31,32

REJOICE / REALIZE / REMAIN - Have you met Him along the road?

Encounter Risen Christ through Biblical Exposition

Experience Risen Christ in Breaking of Bread

Psalm 73 // Truly God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart.

But as for me, my feet had almost stumbled, my steps had nearly slipped.

// For I was envious of the arrogant when I saw the prosperity of the wicked. // For they have no pangs until death; their bodies are fat and sleek. // They are not in trouble as others are; they are not stricken like the rest of mankind. // Therefore pride is their necklace; violence covers them as a garment. // Their eyes swell out through fatness; their hearts overflow with follies. // They scoff and speak with malice; loftily they threaten oppression. // They set their mouths against the heavens, and their tongue struts through the earth. // Therefore his people turn back to them, and find no fault in them. // And they say, "How can God know? Is there knowledge in the Most High?" // Behold, these are the wicked; always at ease, they increase in riches. // All in vain have I kept my heart clean and washed my hands in innocence. // For all the day long I have been stricken and rebuked every morning. // If I had said, "I will speak thus," I would have betrayed the generation of your children. / But when I thought how to understand this, it seemed to me a wearisome task, // until I went into the sanctuary of God; then I discerned their end. // Truly you set them in slippery places; you make them fall to ruin. // How they are destroyed in a moment, swept away utterly by terrors! // Like a dream when one awakes, O Lord, when you rouse yourself, you despise them as phantoms. // When my soul was embittered, when I was pricked in heart, // I was brutish and ignorant; I was like a beast toward you. // Nevertheless, I am continually with you; you hold my right hand. // You guide me with your counsel, and afterward you will receive me to glory. // Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. // My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever. // For behold, those who are far from you shall perish; you put an end to everyone who is unfaithful to you. // But for me it is good to be near God; I have made the Lord God my refuge, that I may tell of all your works. Amen and Amen. *****