

# Restored Hope! An Encounter With Christ!

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Luke 24: 13-35

## SUMMARY:

Two followers of Christ are walking the road to Emmaus discussing everything that had happened in Jerusalem. They had lost any hope they had for Christ to save them. They were filled with disillusionment, and despair. Jesus joins them, but they are kept from recognizing him. Christ begins to share the truth of scripture about himself and all that is to happen according to the Prophets. As darkness sets in they invite Him to stay the night. As he is breaking bread for their evening meal, they realize it is Christ Himself in their presence. Their hope is restored. As soon as they recognize him, he disappears. They get up and immediately return to Jerusalem. They are filled with "Renewed Hope." They are excited to tell the Disciples and others about their experience of encountering the RISEN CHRIST!

## NOTES:

## DISCUSSION POINTS:

**Introductory Question:** Share a time you felt like running away or throwing in the towel? (Giving up, or losing hope?)

Discussion:

- Where is your "Road to Emmaus?" The place where an encounter with Jesus surprised you recently? What happened? Did it change your life?
- What has helped you to be able to recognize Jesus walking beside you when you've been down spiritually?
- Is every encounter with Christ a "Life Changing Experience?"

## APPLICATION:

There are many times when Christ may be trying to reveal himself to us in our everyday lives. How can we be more intentional in recognizing him? It is possible to meet with him on a daily basis. We can take the time to be in communion with him through daily prayer and meditation. Set a time(s) each day to read the Bible and to pray. Meet with fellow believers regularly for Bible study, or make time to attend Huddle every Wednesday.

## ON YOUR OWN...

Scripture References:

Psalm 119: 74

Psalm 62:5

Psalm 42:5

Hebrews 11:1

Romans 8:24-25

John 20:10-18

John 21: 4-14