

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of June 30, 2024

Sermon Text: Luke 24:28-35

[28] So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, [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. [30] When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. [31] And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. [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?" [33] And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, [34] saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" [35] Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Do you agree/disagree with the following statement: "Those who get more of Jesus are those who really want more of Jesus". Explain. What stories from the Bible support your answer?
- 2. What about you personally? Do you really want more of Jesus? If so, how does your life, and the way you live, reflect this desire? What would it take for you to want more of Jesus?
- 3. After His resurrection, Jesus could have easily performed a show of miracles to draw a huge crowd and prove that He was alive. Instead He approaches two discouraged disciples and reveals Himself through the Scriptures. What does this tell you about Jesus' methods for opening blind eyes? How does this inform the way we do church in the 21st century?
- 4. What do you think is the best way to reach 21st century unbelievers with the gospel? Is it possible to bring an unbeliever to faith solely through our knowledge of the Scriptures, the strength of our arguments, and the eloquence of our speech? Explain.
- 5. If God is the One who opens our eyes and brings us to faith, how should this affect the way we view unbelievers who oppose the truths of Scripture? What is it that separates the believer from the unbeliever?
- 6. Upon realizing it was Jesus who was speaking to them, the two disciples quickly returned to Jerusalem, despite the 7 mile walk. Why do you think they were so excited to share the good news? How about you, are you just as excited to share the good news with others? Why or why not?