

## THE ROAD TO HOPE - Luke 24:13-35

Two of Jesus' disciples were walking to Emmaus after His crucifixion and were discussing what had happened and reasoning what they had seen, heard and experienced. Jesus began walking with them, but they were not able to recognize him.

Looking back have you had an experience where you now see that Jesus was with you, but during the time period you "felt" alone? If you are currently in one of those times, Read James 4:8, Isaiah 41:10 and Psalms 46:1.

Jesus listened to what the travelers had to say about their experience. Have you ever noticed that impurities come out when people are under extreme pressure and tested? What should we do in times of distress? Is talking about the trouble helpful?

As Jesus walked along with them He "expounded to them all the scriptures concerning himself". (verse 25-27) And they wanted to hear more and invited him (a stranger) to stay with them. Thankfully, they could see where their understanding was lacking & that they needed good counsel from Him.

David, the Psalmist, lifts up the Word of the Lord in Ps. 19 and 119:105. Why do you think David found God's Word "sweet like honey" and "better than thousands of gold & silver"? Have you experienced the soothing of your soul when reading the Word or when in prayer? Has an answer come to you during one of these times?

Read Ephesians 6:17. We are instructed to "take up" these tools to fight the enemy, for "we wrestle not against flesh & blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world..."

Dear Lord, Help us to draw closer to you and your Word. Create in us a strong desire to spend time with You and Your Word. We are forever grateful for it & Your faithfulness to us. Amen.

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## On The Road With Jesus

*The Road To Hopefulness*

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### Jesus is **always** with us.

Isa 41:10      Mt 28:20      Psalm 46:1-3      Mt 11:28

### Revisit the **Word of God**.

Psalm 19:6-10      Psalm 119:116      Heb 4:12

### Jesus gives us a **hope** for the future.

Isa 49:23      Rom 5:1-5      Romans 8:28