

QUESTIONS WEEK BEGINNING 23 NOVEMBER 2025

READ Luke 24:1-12

1. Verse 8 says that it was only when the angels reminded them of what Jesus had said about His death and resurrection that they “*they remembered his words*”
 - i. What might have caused them (and the disciples) to not “*remember his words*”?
 - ii. In what way might ‘resurrection morning’ have been different for the women and the disciples if on the previous day they had “*remembered his words*”?
 - iii. What can cause us to forget Jesus’ words and what can we do to ensure that we remember them?

READ Luke 24:13-24

2. Two of those who had heard the women’s report headed off to Emmaus talking about “*everything that had happened*” (v13-14).
 - i. What things do you think their conversation would have included?
 - ii. Why would they have felt “downcast” (v17) when the women had said that morning that Jesus was alive?
 - iii. Do you think it is ok for us to feel downcast at times, even though we know Jesus is alive and that the Lord is our ever-present help in times of trouble? (cf Psalm 46:1)
3. Bearing in mind that Cleopas and the other disciple were not part ‘the Twelve’ that Jesus had chosen to be Apostles, why do you think Jesus went out His way to spend all afternoon chatting to them on their 7 mile walk to Emmaus?
4. Verse 16 says “*they were kept from recognizing him*”. Why do you think Jesus chose to keep hidden from their eyes who He was?
5. In verses 17 & 19, as a good counsellor, Jesus got them to tell their painful story before He brought them some teaching.
 - i. Do you find it easy or hard to listen to other people’s stories when you know you have so much you want to share with them about what’s going on in your own life? How might we become better listeners?
 - ii. Why is it important to talk to others about our grief and confusion rather than just keeping it to ourselves?
 - iii. Have you ever processed with other people, something difficult that was happening in your life and are glad that you did?

READ Luke 24:25-35

In verse 27 Jesus used what we call the Old Testament to show these 2 disciples what it taught about Him and His Ministry. He did it again later with all of the disciples (See Luke 24:44-49).

- i. What is your pattern when it comes to reading the Bible? Do you read it daily, occasionally or not at all. If you read it regularly, do you do so as part of a set reading plan created by someone else who just read passages of your own choice?
- ii. Seeing as twice in one day Jesus taught about Himself from the Old Testament (and it positively caused a ‘burning’ sensation within the 2 disciples as He did (v32)) it seems that this was an important teaching lesson that He wanted His followers to understand. Do you think, therefore, this is something that Jesus would want us to study also? If so how, if not why?