

Story 3. On the Road to Emmaus (Part 1)

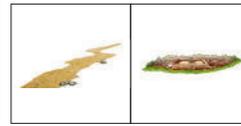
Luke 24:13-27



Backgrounds/Overlays (For scene one/in order used)



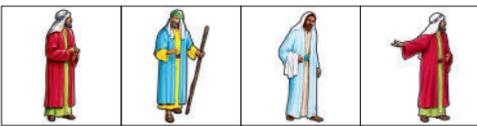
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Figures (in order used)

This is the first of a two-part story retelling an incredible series of events that took place the afternoon and evening of the day Jesus rose from the dead. Two of His disciples apparently needed to either go or return to Emmaus, a town about seven miles northwest of Jerusalem. Understandably their topic of conversation while on the road concerned the events surrounding the capture, trial and crucifixion of their teacher Jesus.

Suddenly another man joins them, enters their conversation and then systematically takes them through the entire Hebrew Scriptures revealing God's hidden wisdom, in what they thought was a tragic mistake. This story does not need a detailed introduction. The details are in the story itself.

Many have expressed their longing to know the specifics of this 2-3 hour instruction from the lips of the Master Teacher. But God's wisdom is revealed here as well. Many today simply dismiss or overlook the Hebrew Scriptures or 'tanakh' commonly called the Old Testament. But these are the very Scriptures Jesus used to help His disciples believe. Here is the story of how the greatest conversation never recorded actually happened.

Later that same Sunday, two of Jesus followers were walking to Emmaus,  a village about seven miles

(11 kilometers) from Jerusalem.  And they were talking about all these things that had happened. As they

continued to talk and discuss these things, Jesus Himself came near and began to walk with them. 

But their eyes were kept from recognizing who He was.

Then Jesus asked them, "What are all these things you are talking about and why are you so sad?"

Then one of the disciples named Cleopas turned to Jesus and said,  "Are you the only stranger in

Jerusalem who does not know about all the things that have happened there these past few days?"

Jesus replied, "What things?"

And they told Him, “The things that happened to Jesus of Nazareth! He was a mighty Prophet in the sight of God and all the people, both in the things that He did and the things that He said. But our chief priests and rulers seized Him. They condemned Him to death and delivered Him up to the Romans—so that He was crucified! But we had hoped that He was the One who was going to redeem Israel. And besides all that, it has been three days since all of these things happened!

In fact, some of the women from our group went to His tomb early this morning and shocked us when they could not find His body! They said they saw a vision of angels who told them Jesus was alive! Some of the men who were with us went to the tomb. They found it just as the women described it, but they did not see Him.”

Then Jesus said to them, “How can you be so foolish! Why are your hearts so slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken? Was it not necessary for the Christ to suffer all of these things before He entered into His glory? Then beginning with the Torah (the five books of Moses) and continuing through all of the Prophets, Jesus explained to them all the things concerning Himself throughout the Scriptures.