



Questions Jesus Asked

A Worship Discussion Guide for Individuals, Groups & Families for the week of November 9, 2025

Read the Bible passage aloud in your group meeting. This is a worship discussion guide, and our reflections and applications are grounded in Scripture. You do not need to work through the whole guide. Decide which points would be most helpful for your meeting, and use them as a starting point for your time together.

Luke 24:13-32

Was It Not Necessary?

¹³ That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴ and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵ While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶ But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷ And he said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸ Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹ And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹ But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see." ²⁵ And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

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?"

- **This passage follows immediately after Luke's account of the discovery of the empty tomb by the disciples. What are these travelers doing, thinking, and feeling?**

- **Why does Jesus ask the two what they are discussing (17)? "What things" had been going on lately (19)?**
- **Is Jesus being hard on the disciples (25-27)? Why or why not? What is he especially concerned about? Why do you think it was "necessary" for the Messiah to "suffer these things and then enter into his glory"? ("His glory" refers to his resurrection and ascension to the Father's right hand.)**
- **Jesus referred to passages throughout all the Scriptures that were about Him (27). Read through a few of the many passages that He might have referred to: [Genesis 3:15](#); [Numbers 21:6-9](#); [Deuteronomy 18:15](#); [Psalm 22](#); [Psalm 16:8-11](#); [Psalm 118:22-23](#); [Isaiah 11:1-7](#); [Isaiah 53:1-6](#); [Isaiah 61:1](#); [Daniel 7:13-14](#).**
- **After reading this passage, what would you say about the necessity of the suffering of Christ?**
- **How do the disciples come to recognize Jesus? (27-32)**
- **What do you think it means that their hearts "burned within them" when Jesus opened the Scriptures to them? (32)**
- **When do you suffer from a "slow heart" (25)?**
- **What affects does the Word of God have on our hearts today?**
- **Pray together in light of this week's passage.**

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