

ROAD TO EMMAUS
Easter Sunday
April 5, 2026

**Big Idea: Jesus roots our confidence in His _____,
not our _____.**

HOW JESUS HELPS US UNDERSTAND THE MEANING OF EASTER
Luke 24:13-35

- 1. Jesus confronts our confirmation bias about His _____.
(John 11:47-48; Luke 24:13-24)**
 - **The amazing story of Easter confronts or confirms our belief about the _____.**

- 2. Jesus confirms for us the _____ of His _____.
(Luke 24:25-27; Psalm 22; Isaiah 53)**
 - **Jesus' suffering and death were by God's _____ and for our _____.**

- 3. Jesus changes our doubt and despair into _____ and _____.
(Luke 24:28-35; Revelation 3:20)**
 - **When we understand the meaning of the crucifixion, we are ready to _____ the resurrected Jesus.**

DAILY DEVOTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday: Read Messianic Psalm 22. King David perfectly described crucifixion hundreds of years before it was invented. How many prophecies from this Psalm do you see that Jesus fulfilled? Compare to Matthew 27:32-56 and John 19:16-37. Jesus' crucifixion fulfilled precise elements of Psalm 22. Only God could do that! Thank Jesus for the many ancient prophecies He fulfilled. Let that grow your faith.

Tuesday: Read Isaiah 52:13-53:12. It sounds like this could be from the New Testament, yet it was written by the prophet Isaiah around 700 BC. Spend time meditating on verses 3-10. Jesus came to sacrifice Himself for your sins. This was God's will. Jesus loved you enough to die for your sins so that you could have eternal life through faith in Him. Have you placed your faith in Jesus? Romans 10:9-13 show you how.

Wednesday: Read Luke 24:36-53. How did Jesus prove He was risen from the dead and not just a spirit? What did He help them understand from the Scriptures about His mission? What did He say they should do with this good news? How are you "proclaiming repentance and forgiveness of sins in His name to all people" beginning from where you live, work and play?

Thursday: Read Matthew 12:38-40; 16:21; 17:9, 22-23; 20:18-19; 26:31-32. It was bold for Jesus to make such claims about death and resurrection. All but one of the eleven apostles who heard Him make these promises gave their lives for the gospel. The one who was not a martyr, was John, and he was severely persecuted and exiled for the gospel. For the eyewitnesses of Jesus, His resurrection proved His deity and gave them boldness. How bold are you about sharing the gospel?

Friday: Read Matthew 28. What fake news story did the chief priests make up about the empty tomb? Jesus addressed this fake news by showing up alive! Then he charged His disciple to go make more disciples baptizing them and teaching them to obey all His commands. What encouraging promise did Jesus make to all disciples who work to make more disciples? Go Live SENT making disciples as you go.