



## Dig Deeper Study Guide

Stroudsburg United Methodist Church - May 20, 2012

### Sermon

Jesus' Resurrection

Appearances:

*"Jesus Appears on the Road to Emmaus"*

Luke 24:13-35

by Bob Shank

Things I want to remember about this sermon...

Monday 5/21/12

Luke 24:13

"That very day two of them were on their way to Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem." When was the last time you walked seven miles or even five miles all at one time? We live in a culture much different from the one in Palestine during Jesus' day. Walking does have several benefits--fitness, cardiovascular, mental relaxation, and more. Take some time this week to take a nice long walk and consider walking with a friend.

Tuesday 5/22/12

Luke 24:14-15a

These two were talking with each other about all the things that happened during Holy Week and Easter. They were talking and even debating these events. Do you hear this clearly? Even right after the events there was a lot of discussion and disagreement about what it all meant. Dialogue and discussions are good and in our busy lives we rarely have time for in-depth dialogue and debate. What are you talking about and debating?

Wednesday 5/23/12

Luke 24:15b-16

"...but their eyes were kept from recognizing him." How many times do you think Jesus is with you without being recognized? I suspect that this happens much more often than we might realize. Part of the problem is that we are often too busy to recognize the more important things that are right in front of us. We sometimes forget about family members or friends simply because we are too busy. Other times we are distracted by events and things happening in our lives. This is probably what happened on the Road to Emmaus--the two friends had their mind on the events that had just happened in Jerusalem and were distracted from living in the moment where Jesus was right beside them. Are you too busy or distracted today? Take some time to recognize who is with you today!



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Things to do this week in response to the sermon...

*When did I realize that Jesus was with me this week?*

*Slow down to appreciate the people in your life and spend some quality time with them.*

*Walk with a friend this week.*

*Walk with Jesus this week.*

Thursday 5/24/12  
Luke 24:17-19a

Jesus engaged the two persons walking with him in conversation by asking questions. This is often a great way to start a conversation. "Hi! What's your name?" "Where do you work or go to school?" "Where do you live?" "Do you believe in Jesus?" These conversation-starters can be the beginning of a new and wonderful relationship--all by simply asking a few questions. This is what Jesus did. He talked with the two and asked them some questions. What questions can you ask people you meet this week?

Friday 5/25/12  
Luke 24:19a-24

The two strangers then began to tell Jesus all that had just happened in Jerusalem; how Jesus the Nazarene had been crucified and placed in a tomb. They had hoped he was the one who would redeem Israel but earlier this morning the women went to the tomb but did not find Jesus' body. Then an angel said he was still alive, so they went to the tomb but did not see him. These two actually went to the tomb looking for proof of the resurrection but did not find it. What proof do you need in order to believe?

Saturday 5/26/12  
Luke 24:25-35

Jesus reprimanded them for their unbelief and then he began to teach them the way. As they approached the village they urged him to enter their house and stay with them. Then, as he broke the bread, they recognized him! Stay with Jesus this week. Invite him into your life and into your home. Spend time getting to know Jesus better. Friends need to spend time with one another and we need to spend time with Jesus.