

## SEEING THE WORD: RECOGNIZING THE WORD IN OUR LIVES

### LUKE 24:13-35

#### Read This First

Sometimes the obvious is the most difficult to see. Jesus, the Word in flesh, is obviously written about on the pages of Scripture, but sometime we have difficulty seeing Him. The goal for this lesson is to bring clarity about who Jesus is by looking at Luke 24:13-35 and various Old Testament prophecies and their New Testament fulfillments.

#### Relate to It

Ask the group to define an "Aha!" moment. (i.e. something that seemed cloudy and obscure, but then in an instant, became crystal clear.)

Ask for examples/stories. (i.e. when you realized you were in love; when you understood a concept in school; when you figured out "who dunnit" in a mystery novel, etc.)

#### Reflect on It

1. Read through Luke 24:13-35. Contrast the physical vs. spiritual aspects of the story.

##### Physical

Headed away from Jerusalem (v. 13)

Resurrection Day (v. 13)

The Things: trial, death, burial (v. 14)

Eyes did not recognize (v. 16)

Sad -- stood still (v. 17)

Jesus -- prophet mighty in deed and word  
(v. 19)

Hope -- to be redeemed (v. 21)

No body in the tomb (v. 24)

Testimony of Women (v. 23)

Testimony of Disciples (v. 24)

##### Spiritual

Eyes were opened (v. 31)

Recognized Him (v. 31)

Hearts burned within them (v. 32)

Returned to Jerusalem (v. 33)

The Lord has risen indeed! (v. 34)

Joy & Hope restored

Stay with us (v. 29)

Broken bread (v. 30)

He vanished from their sight (v. 31)

2. What Scriptures did Jesus share with them? (v. 27) What Old Testament story or verse helps you see Jesus more clearly? (i.e. Abraham offering Isaac; the Passover; the Tabernacle; Day of Atonement; Serpent in the Wilderness, etc.)

3. Spend time talking about the prophecies you looked up this week.

- Did anything stand out to you?
- Did anything surprise you?
- Was there an "Aha!" moment for you during your study?

4. Discuss the hopes your group has. Was there a shift in your perspective regarding a physical vs. spiritual mindset?

### **Remember It**

If your group is larger than six, break down into smaller groups (no more than five or six in one group.) Then do the following:

1. Pair up so you can say your memory verses to one another. Explain why you chose that particular verse.
2. What did you learn about God this week?
3. Share prayer needs and lift one another up to our heavenly Father.