

“Christ waits to be wanted. Too bad that with so many of us He waits so long, so very long, in vain.”

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B. He offers Himself.

²⁹ But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

KEY: When we invite Him, He makes himself known.

III. He Entrusts To a Fellowship

A. Faith shared (vs. 32 – 25)

³² They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?” ³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has

appeared to Simon.” ³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

B. Faith Renewed (vs. 36)

³⁶ While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.”

KEY: The “life” He gives is nurtured in fellowship ... we call “it” the Church.

Conclusion:

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Sermon Outline

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“The Way Jesus Works”

Luke 24: 13 – 36

Introduction:

I. He Looks for An Opening

A. Note the Setting ...

Luke 24: 13 – 14 Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened.

KEY: Most of us are just ordinary people yet everyone is special to Jesus; The average, the above average, the less than average. Emmaus Reminds us Not to forget that!

B. Note the Conversation

1. Their trouble

Luke 24: 15 – 24 ¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them.

¹⁶ but they were kept from recognizing him.
¹⁷ He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along ... (“**And Are Sad**” - NKT)
They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of the, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you only a visitor to Jerusalem and do not know the things that have happened here in these days?”
¹⁹ “What things” he asked. “About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see.”

KEY: Why were sad and in despair over the Lord’s death.

They poured out their Feelings:

2. Their reverence

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3. Their anger.

²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him;

4. Their disappointment.

²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place.

KEY: Only when we are looking for Jesus in our midst will we experience the power and help He can bring.

5. Their confusion.

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C. Note His Teaching

²⁵ He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Christ have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all

the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

KEY: Jesus wants to let us know that no matter what we have, we don’t have enough if we don’t have Him!

II. He Makes Himself Real

²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus acted as if he were going farther. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

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A. He Waits To BE Invited (vs. 28)

KEY: Jesus Never enters a life or a home without a personal invitation.

Revelation 3:20 “Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. IF anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.”