GOD'S LOVE LETTER TO YOU





WELCOME

Share about a time in your life when Jesus at work, but you didn't recognize it until later.

WORSHIP

Read *Luke 24:13-35* and then pray together, asking the Holy Spirit to open your hearts and minds to recognize Jesus in Scripture just as He revealed Himself to the disciples on the road to Emmaus.

WORD

1. Some claim that all religious texts lead to the same truth. How do Jesus' words in *Luke* **24:27** compare with that belief?

2. How can we train ourselves to be more spiritually aware of Jesus' presence in our daily lives?

3. What emotions do the disciples express in <i>Luke 24:17-24</i> ? How do their emotions and confusion mirror our own struggles with faith and expectations of God?
4. Luke 24:25-27 refers to the Old Testament testifying to Jesus. Read Genesis 3:15; Psalm 110; and Isaiah 53:5-9. How do these passages testify to Jesus?

5. If Jesus sat down with you today and explained Scripture, what do you think He would highlight about your faith journey?
6. Read <i>Genesis 3:7; Luke 24:31; and Acts 9:18</i> . How are these passages similar? How are they different? What do these passages teach us about spiritual blindness and its cure?

7. In *Luke 24:32*, the disciples describe their hearts "burning" as Jesus explained Scripture. How does this compare with other transformative encounters with God's Word (e.g., *Jeremiah 20:9; Hebrews 4:12*)? Have you ever experienced a moment when Scripture became "alive" to you in a deeper way?

WITNESS

As a group, brainstorm creative ways to introduce people to Jesus in Scripture (e.g., maybe through social media, Bible studies, sharing personal stories, etc.).

PERSONAL REFLECTION & DEEPER STUDY FOR THIS WEEK

- Memorize Luke 24:32.
- Luke 24:16 states that the disciples were kept from recognizing Jesus.
 - What does this reveal about God's role in spiritual perception?
 - How does this connect with other passages where people struggle to recognize Jesus (e.g., *John 20:14-15; Matthew 16:13-17*)?
 - Why might Jesus have chosen to reveal Himself gradually instead of immediately?
- Let's do a study on bread in the Bible! Read Matthew 6:9-13; 14:13-21; Mark 14:12-26;
 Luke 4:4; John 6:25-59; 13:26-30; 21:12-13; Acts 2:46; 20:7; 1 Corinthians 5:8; 10:16; 11:23-28.
 - How is bread used in these passages?
 - What do these passages teach you about bread?
 - How does bread unite people?
 - How does the concept of bread testify to who Jesus is and what He does?
- Luke 24:34 says, "The Lord has risen indeed and has appeared to Simon!"
 - Why do you think Jesus appeared to Peter before many others (1 Corinthians 15:1-8)?
 - What might this say about Jesus' desire to restore those who have failed Him? (compare with **John 21:15-19**)