

Read Proverbs 1:23.

4. What's similar about this verse and the interaction Jesus had with his followers on the road to Emmaus? What correction of Christ are you being called to turn towards to receive understanding?

Read 1 John 2:27

5. What hope does this verse give you about your walk with Christ if you read is and *really* believe it? How are you being called to remain with Him?

Taking it With You

6. Christ's followers were in disbelief and bewilderment following the crucifixion and even after the resurrection. It is safe to say you will find yourself in similar predicaments in the future despite already knowing the truth. What pattern can you be setting now to help maintain hope in trials, suffering, and uncertainty?

JESUS REVEALS OUR HOPE

Luke 24:13-35

"The traumatic events surrounding Jesus are part of God's plan of deliverance. It is not the end of hope, but its beginning."

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Luke 24:13-16 Hope is lost in confusion and uncertainty.

Luke 24:17-24 Mankind is incapable of finding hope without Christ.

Luke 24:25-27 Suffering is not the end of hope, but its beginning.

Luke 24:28-35 Hope is cemented in our life through the comprehension of God's word.

Luke 24:28-35 Hope is manifested in our intimacy with Jesus Christ.

Getting to know you

Sunday's sermon focused on an eye witness account of Jesus' resurrection. Had you been one of the followers in the account and a stranger asked you, "What are you talking about?" while going through a traumatic experience, how would you have responded to them? Share with your small group an example of what you might have said.

1. Before you heard the sermon Sunday, what was your assurance of Christ's resurrection grounded in? Be as specific as you can, if it is in scripture, a testimony, or tradition share it in as much detail as you can.
2. Luke provides a detailed account of Christ's followers wrestling with specific details in their life, yet unable to conclude what they mean. How can you identify with their experience? What are details in your life that bring hope, which bring doubt, and how have you tried to understand them?

Digging deeper

Read John 15:8; 16:14, 26;

3. When you are seeking comprehension of sufferings or trials, who should you expect is helping you and when should you expect the help?