

Luke 23-24
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How do you view Jesus?

The death and resurrection of Jesus is the most _____ event in history.

John 14:6 (NLT, pg. 896) Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

Luke 24:13-34 (pg. 879)

They were struggling because their _____ didn’t match their expectations.

Luke 24:21 (NLT, pg. 879) We had hoped he was the Messiah who had come to rescue Israel. This all happened three days ago.

Jesus deals with their doubt;
He identifies that their expectations weren’t _____ . (vs. 25-26)

He shows them how _____ should guide their expectations. (vs. 27)

He gives them _____ to see and understand the whole picture. (vs. 31)

Luke 24:32 (NLT, pg. 879) They said to each other, “Didn’t our hearts burn within us as he talked with us on the road and explained the Scriptures to us?”

Luke 24:35-49 (pg. 880)

Luke 24:49 (NLT, pg. 880) “And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven.”

As a follower of Jesus, you are filled with the power of the _____.

How do we get that power?

We _____ that the death and resurrection of Jesus is the most important event in history.

What do we do with that power?

1. Make sure that is true in your own _____.
2. _____ that truth with others that need to hear it.

Matthew 22:37-40 (NLT, pg. 820) Jesus replied, “‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.”

Final Thought: The life of Jesus has the power to change the entire world; but it starts with your heart and your journey. Will you let Jesus _____ ?

Luke 23-24 Discussion Questions

How do you view Jesus? Have you put Jesus 'in a box' at all? Explain. Read Luke 1:37. Do you believe this verse? Not part way or when I'm in a good mood; but REALLY believe this verse? Why or why not? After seeing the entire gospel of Luke and all the stories and miracles in the book does it help you to fully believe this verse? Why or why not?

Read Luke 10:25-29. These verses are Luke's version of the two greatest commandments; how does it compare to the more famous one in Matthew 22:34-40. Examine the deeper answer to this challenge in Luke 10:30-37. Why do you think Jesus needed to give further explanation? How does this story apply to our culture today? How good of a neighbor are you?

Luke spends more time than any other gospel writer describing interactions with the resurrected Jesus? Do you think this is an important thing to focus on? Why or why not? Review Luke 24:13-34 (the walk to Emmaus) How would you have reacted to this experience? Have you ever had an experience when suddenly everything was clear? How did it feel? Do you think the Holy Spirit was involved in the moment? Explain.

Review the process Jesus takes the men on the road and the disciples through; identifies that expectations aren't accurate, examines scripture to adjust expectations, gives divine help to understand. What stands out to you about this process? "As a follower of Jesus, you are filled with the power of the Holy Spirit." How does this fact make you feel? Are you using this power in your faith journey? If not, what is holding you back?