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A New Day

A New Day Recognized

Luke 24:13–35 (HCSB)

Now that same day two of them were on their way to a village called Emmaus, which was about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ Together they were discussing everything that had taken place. ¹⁵ And while they were discussing and arguing, Jesus Himself came near and began to walk along with them. ¹⁶ But they were prevented from recognizing Him. ¹⁷ Then He asked them, “What is this dispute that you’re having with each other as you are walking?” And they stopped walking and looked discouraged. ¹⁸ The one named Cleopas answered Him, “Are You the only visitor in Jerusalem who doesn’t know the things that happened there in these days?” ¹⁹ “What things?” He asked them. So they said to Him, “The things concerning Jesus the Nazarene, who was a Prophet powerful in action and speech before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed Him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified Him. ²¹ But we were hoping that He was the One who was about to redeem Israel. Besides all this, it’s the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women from our group astounded us. They arrived early at the tomb, ²³ and when they didn’t find His body, they came and reported that they had seen a vision of angels who said He was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they didn’t see Him.” ²⁵ He said to them, “How unwise and slow you are to believe in your hearts all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Didn’t the Messiah have to suffer these things and enter into His glory?” ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted for them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures. ²⁸ They came near the village where they were going, and He gave the impression that He was going farther. ²⁹ But they urged Him: “Stay with us, because it’s almost evening, and now the day is almost over.” So He went in to stay with them. ³⁰ It was as He reclined at the table with them that He took the

bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him, but He disappeared from their sight. ³² So they said to each other, “Weren’t our hearts ablaze within us while He was talking with us on the road and explaining the Scriptures to us?” ³³ That very hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem. They found the Eleven and those with them gathered together, ³⁴ who said, “The Lord has certainly been raised, and has appeared to Simon!” ³⁵ Then they began to describe what had happened on the road and how He was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

1. A NEW DAY _____ WHEN HOPE IS DEFEATED vv 13-24

- The crucifixion _____ the disciples’ vision.
- Jesus was not ready to reveal Himself to gauge the men’s mentality.
- The proof of the resurrection was in front of them, but the loss of _____ kept them from seeing it.

2. A NEW DAY _____ WHEN HOPE SHOWS UP vv 25-29

- The two men needed to be reminded of the _____.
- Knowing the facts and seeing them are two different things.
- The Messiah was present to _____ hope.

3. A NEW DAY _____ WHEN HOPE IS RECOGNIZED vv 30-35

- _____ with Jesus allowed them to finally see Jesus.
- The presence of hope set their hearts ablaze within them.
- Experiencing the presence of Jesus confirmed the _____ of the resurrection.

The Next Step:

Look expectantly for God’s presence and leading in your life.