

Your Story Matters – Vulnerability

Luke 24:13-24

April 18, 2021

Next Steps

OPENING PRAYER:

Spirit of Wisdom and Light, shine in the deepest recesses of our minds and hearts. Allow no hiddenness to remain in us. Instead, flood us with the truth of your Word, which has the power to change and renew us. For truth is found in the Word Incarnate, and the truth will set us free. Amen.

BREAKING THE ICE:

- What did you agree or disagree with in the sermon this week?
- Where did you see God this week?
- What do you do when you are feeling down? Go off by yourself, throw a party, retail therapy, etc?

WRESTLING WITH THE WORD:

Read Luke 24:13-24.

- What jumps out at you in this scripture?
- As you listen/read the two disciples talking (v. 19-24), what tones of voice do you hear? What plans do you imagine them making? How do they react to the stranger?
- V. 27 says 'the stranger' discussed Moses and all the Prophets. What passages do you think 'the stranger' would have used? How would you explain each of those? Why do you believe Jesus used this sort of bible study instead of just revealing himself immediately?
- What's your Road to Emmaus story? Where has Jesus surprised you? Where has Jesus shown up in your life? Describe your experience.
- What does the resurrected Jesus need to change in your life?
- What is different in your life because you follow the resurrected Jesus?

NEXT STEPS:

- Write down, rehearse or explain the meaning of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. It is helpful to practice this experience to be prepared when God makes an opportunity.
- The same holds with our own experience with Jesus. When people ask us why we believe, it is always good to have our own story ready to impact the lives of others.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK:

O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. -Book of Common Worship, 1993