

## DIGGING DEEPER

**Series:** Easter 2009  
**Sermon:** What a Difference Three Days Makes  
**Scripture:** Luke 24:13-35



### GETTING STARTED

Describe a time in your life when you became disillusioned with someone or something.

- Why did you become disillusioned?
- What effect did it have on your mood, attitude, etc?

### BIBLE STUDY

1. Read Luke 24:13-24 and answer the following questions.
  - What was the downside to the fact that these two disciples had separated themselves from the larger body of disciples back at Jerusalem at this critical time?
  - What do these disciples say in verse 19 that indicate they did not fully appreciate who Jesus was?
  - From what you read in these verses, do you get the sense that the news that Jesus' body was missing excited these disciples? Why or why not?
2. Jesus used the Old Testament scriptures to teach the disciples about the suffering and death of the Messiah. What specific information do the following Old Testament verses reveal about Christ?
  - Genesis 3:15
  - Psalm 22:1-2
  - Isaiah 53:4-7
3. What do we read in verse 32 that reveals that although they didn't recognize Jesus at first, these disciples sensed there was something different about this stranger who was talking to them?
4. Read verses 33-35. How do we know that the two disciples who had left Jerusalem earlier that day in such disappointment were now reinvigorated after having spent time with Jesus?

## **APPLY IT**

Which of these three challenges from Sunday's message speaks most clearly to you at this stage of your life?

- Open Your Eyes and Examine Jesus.
  - Do you need to rid yourselves of preconceived notions and prejudices about who Jesus is and what He can do for you?
  
- Open Your Heart and Experience Jesus
  - Do you need to move beyond just hearing about Jesus to establishing or nurturing an intimate relationship with Him?
  
- Open Your Mouth and Exclaim Jesus
  - Do you need to be more willing to exclaim your faith and share your testimony with others?

Once you have identified the challenge that speaks most clearly to you, write down an action plan for how you will take your relationship with Christ to the next level.