

Text: Luke 24:13-35

Show a picture of Jesus breaking bread with men at Emmaus



Children to make a happy and sad face emojis, that they can hold up when they hear the words happy or glad or sad in the following story.

One day two friends were walking on the road to Emmaus. Something terrible happened three days before. Jesus had been hung on a cross and crucified. They were sad and upset about this. While they were talking about what happened **Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.** They didn't know that it was Jesus. They supposed it was just someone walking along the road. Jesus asked why they were so sad.

One of the two men, Cleopas, explained that they were sure Jesus was God's chosen person to save the world. He told about Jesus being crucified and how some women had been to the tomb that morning but his body wasn't there. The women had seen angels that said Jesus was alive!

Then Jesus began to explain that all through the writings of Moses and the prophets that these things were written about Him before they ever happened. As they listened their hearts were happy to hear the good news that Jesus suffered to save His people.

(Jesus was explaining the scriptures to them and it made them glad. But remember that they didn't realize it was Jesus yet. They wanted to spend more time with this stranger but he acted as if he had to continue his journey).

They pleaded with him to stay for supper. As he sat down to eat **he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.** This was Easter and the risen Lord Jesus disappeared right in front of them!

Sometimes sad happen to good people. Jesus had been killed and it was hard to understand why God would allow such a thing to happen. When sad things happen in our lives, God is with us Jesus walked right beside the two men on the road to Emmaus. Jesus is with us all the time no matter what happens. We can be happy about that! Read the prayer 'Footprints in the Sand and discuss/explain the meaning to the children.

Review Questions:

- Where were the two disciples walking to?
- What were they talking about?
- Who came and walked with them?
- What did Jesus explain to them?
- How did they find out it was Jesus?
- Is it easy for us to see Jesus?
- Can we see Jesus at work in our lives?

**Activities:**

### **Footprints in the Sand**

Everyone in the family to draw around their feet and then cut them out. Write on each footprint things that make us sad and happy. Make a feet path to one final footprint which has the word Jesus on it.

**Road to Emmaus craft:**

<https://ministry2kidz.com/2018/07/13/road-to-emmaus-craft/>

## Bible verse hunt

This activity can be done indoors or outdoors. Ask the children to draw some pairs of glasses (the type for the eyes not for the wine! ☺). They write these words onto them:

**'As he sat down to eat he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight'.**

These can then be hidden and the children try to find the glasses with words from the Bible verse on them and put them in order.

Other activities:

[https://sermons4kids.com/road\\_to\\_emmaus\\_crossword.htm](https://sermons4kids.com/road_to_emmaus_crossword.htm)

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