

RECOGNIZING JESUS

Recognizing Jesus
Easter

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▶ Outline

All I want is to know Christ and the power that raised Him to life.

Philippians 3:10 (CEV)

A. Introduction

(Luke 24:13-19a. C/R: John 20:14-16,27-28; 21:4-7;
Philippians 3:10)

B. Recognizing Jesus...

(Luke 24:19b-35)

1. Accepting _____ isn't adequate.
(Luke 24:19b-24. C/R: James 2:14,19)

2. Acknowledging _____ isn't enough.
(Luke 24:25-27. C/R: John 5:37-40; 8:31-32)

3. Actually _____ Jesus is essential.
(Luke 24:28-32. C/R: John 3:3-6; 17:3)

4. Altering _____ is evidence.
(Luke 24:33-35. C/R: Romans 6:4; 2 Corinthians 5:17;
Colossians 1:9-10; Titus 1:16)

Answers: 1. facts 2. Scripture 3. experiencing 4. direction

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► Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to pursue a deeper relationship with Jesus. To connect with others, visit brookwoodchurch.org/adults.

Conversation Starter

Describe a time you were confused.

Begin your study with prayer

Pause for a few minutes to quiet your heart and mind. Then ask God for insight and direction as you study and reflect on this week's lesson.

Bible Study and Group Discussion

Read [Luke 24:13-35](#).

1. God kept the two disciples from recognizing Jesus. Why do you think He didn't reveal Himself? Why is that important to the story?
2. The travelers expressed they *had hoped Jesus was the Messiah who had come to rescue Israel*. What kind of rescue were they expecting? What emotions were they wrestling with?
3. Jesus used Scripture to explain what had happened, but the disciples weren't convinced. Why?
4. Why do you think Jesus opened the eyes of the travelers when He did?
5. Describe a time you had an encounter with Jesus. How did that experience change you?
6. The travelers had questions about what took place over the last few days. What questions do you have about faith? How can your questions and doubts draw you closer to God?
7. What distracts you from experiencing God? Busyness, pride, technology, apathy, self-reliance, resistance, anything else?

8. The disciples experienced sadness ([vs. 17](#)), disappointment and confusion ([vs. 18-24](#)), along with surprise, relief and excitement ([vs. 30-35](#)). Describe your journey of faith. What have been some of the ups and downs in your relationship with Jesus over the years?
9. Jesus is with us even when we don't realize it. How have you found that to be true in your life? Are you in a season right now where it's difficult to recognize Christ's presence? What are ways you can respond?
10. How can this story of Jesus' encounter with two of His followers become a model for us?
11. From your study this week, what's one thing that impressed you that can be of help in your life?

Spiritual Practice

A spiritual practice is training for the soul. By building these into your everyday life, you're sure to strengthen your relationship with God.

Reflect on the idea that Christianity is more of a journey than an event. Aim to talk with God continually each day this week.

Memory Verse

"And this is the way to have eternal life—to know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, the One You sent to earth." [John 17:3 \(NLT\)](#)

Daily Reading

Day 1: [John 20:11-18](#)

Day 4: [2 Corinthians 5:17-21](#)

Day 2: [James 2:14-17](#)

Day 5: [John 3:3-6](#)

Day 3: [Acts 2:14-21](#)

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, April 24, we'll begin a new series titled *Remember!* To prepare, read [2 Peter 1:1-11](#).



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