

LESSON 13

ALIVE!

LUKE 24:1-53



1 What causes your peers to despair and lose hope?

2 To what or to whom do people look for hope today?



Read Luke 24:1-53 and the following notes:

- ☐ 24:1-9 ☐ 24:6, 7 ☐ 24:11, 12 ☐ 24:24 ☐ 24:25 ☐ 24:36-43
☐ 24:50-53

3 Fill in the chart below:

What some expected from Jesus

What happened

(a) Jesus would rescue Israel from

Roman oppression and set up a

kingdom in Israel (24:21)

- (b) Jesus would save himself from _____
the cross (23:35) _____
- (c) crucifying Jesus would put an _____
end to this “troublemaker” (23:4, 5) _____

4 What were the different reactions to the news of Jesus’ resurrection (24:1–53)?

When Jesus died, the disciples despaired. Lost and leaderless, they huddled in fear behind closed doors. But when Jesus appeared to them, their lives changed forever. Why? Because all of a sudden they had hope. When they saw that Jesus was alive, they knew that all he had taught them was true. They now realized that he was the Messiah, the one who had come to bring salvation to the world, and they were assured of their own resurrection and place in heaven. Suddenly the future looked brighter than they had ever imagined. The Resurrection continues to bring hope to those who despair today.



5 As Jesus explained to the two believers on the road to Emmaus, he fulfilled all of Scripture and accomplished all that God had planned. What difference does it make to the world that Jesus is who he said he is?

6 How did the Resurrection give the disciples hope?

7 What difference does it make that Jesus is alive today?



8 If you had been one of Jesus' followers nearly two thousand years ago, how would you have reacted to his death on the cross?

9 How would you have reacted to the amazing news of his resurrection?

10 How does the Resurrection give you hope?

11 When do you most need to remember the truth of the Resurrection?



12 What's one way you can keep the hope of the Resurrection in your thoughts this week?

A Why is the Resurrection central to the Christian faith? How does the truth about the Resurrection impact you?

B What did it take to convince the disciples that Jesus had indeed risen from the dead (24:36–40)? What assures you of the truth of the Resurrection?

C How did Jesus spend his time with the disciples after the Resurrection (24:45)? How did Jesus prepare the disciples to be his witnesses? In what ways have you been prepared to witness for Christ?

D How did the disciples respond to Christ's ascension (24:50–53)? What motivates you to worship and praise God?

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