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The risen Lord Jesus comes alongside us in our journeys of faith

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passages.

Sunday	Luke 24:13-35	On the road to Emmaus
Monday	Genesis 18:1-14	Abraham and Sarah eat with God
Tuesday	Exodus 24:1-11	Moses eats with God
Wednesday	John 21:1-14	Jesus eats with his disciples
Thursday	1 Corinthians 11:23-29	Recognizing the Lord's body
Friday	John 5:24-26, 37-40	The Scriptures testify to Christ
Saturday	Psalm 36:5-10	Feasting on God's riches
Sunday	John 10:1-10	Christ the shepherd

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"Because of what Christ has done, you believe in God. It was God who raised him from the dead. And it was God who gave him glory. So your faith and hope are in God." 1 Peter 1:21 (NIRV)

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, please walk with us each day this week. Give us the faith to see you beside us. Amen. (Luke 24:15, 30-31)

Mealtime Prayer:

Come and stay with us, Lord Jesus. Be with us in our eating, our sharing and our serving. Thank you for all you give to us. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May the Lord walk with you this day and always. May God stay with you every night and every day. Amen. (Luke 24:13-35)



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CARING CONVERSATIONS

Discuss in your household or small group:

- What gets you down? What cheers you up?
- The two men walking to Emmaus were feeling sad. What turned their sadness into joy?
- Have you experienced Jesus alongside you when times have been difficult? How has he supported you?

DEVOTIONS

The two men on the road to Emmaus said that when Jesus was explaining the Scriptures to them, their hearts were "burning" within them. In your home devotion times this week, share your favorite Bible verses with one another. Then, write or print them onto large pieces of paper and decorate them with pictures or drawings of flames. Hang them around your home.

SERVICE

Jesus came alongside two of his followers in their sorrow and brought them joy. Plan a visit to an elderly person in your congregation or community who would appreciate some company. Prepare a plate of treats to take with you.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Go for a walk together as a household. As you walk, invite each person to share how and where they "see" Jesus in their lives.

