

Week 4: Walking the Wrong Direction

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Icebreaker: Share a time when you were headed in one direction but ended up discovering something unexpectedly wonderful. What did you learn from that?

Scripture Exploration

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 means in the context of the sermon?

Group Discussion Questions

Reflect - The sermon emphasized the importance of the direction of our lives. How do you currently assess the direction you're headed—spiritually or personally? What signs help you discern whether you're on the right path?

Understand - "We had hoped..." was a pivotal phrase in the sermon. How do you define hope in your life, and what are some things you've placed your hope in? How does your hope in Christ differ from other hopes?

Scriptural Insights - In Luke 24, the disciples on the road to Emmaus were so close to recognizing Jesus but didn't. How does this story encourage you to seek Christ in your daily life—even when He seems hidden?

Theological Reflection - The sermon discussed taking both *deep* and *wide* steps in faith. What practical steps can you take this week to deepen your relationship with God and to share your faith with others?



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Personal Reflection

- What does the story of the road to Emmaus teach us about recognizing Jesus in our lives?
- Consider the statement "hope is like oxygen for the soul." How does this resonate with your understanding of faith?
- How do the themes of redemption and hope in the sermon connect with your personal experiences or beliefs?

Personal Application

- Identify one area in your life where you feel you might be walking in the wrong direction. What steps can you take to realign with Jesus' path?
- How can you incorporate both deep and wide steps in your faith journey to ensure a balanced spiritual growth?
- Reflect on a community or group you are part of. How can you bring hope and the message of redemption to them this week?
- Consider joining a church event or community group mentioned in the sermon.
 How might participating in these activities help you take steps in the right direction?