

# ROAD TO THE RESURRECTION

*at Midtown Church*

**Ice Breaker:** On a scale of 1-10 (1 being the worst, 10 the best), how present are you in the moment?

**Read:** Luke 24

## **Discussion Questions:**

- Opening Thoughts
- How might our fast-paced culture make it harder to notice what God is doing around us?
  - Why do you think walking (and not rushing) creates space for reflection, discovery, and/or transformation?
  - Do you think people expect God to show up in ordinary moments or only extraordinary ones? Why?
- You can be Close to Jesus and still not recognize Him (Luke 24:15-16; Corinthians 5:7)
  - Why do you think the disciples didn't recognize Jesus at first?
  - Can you think of a time when God was present in your life, but you recognized it later?
  - How does this passage challenge the idea that God only walks with us when life is good?
  - When you can't see God, do you still trust Him?
- Jesus will Reveal Truth Before He reveals Himself (Luke 24:25-27, 24:32; Hebrews 4:12; Jeremiah 20:9)
  - What's the difference between knowing information vs. understanding truth?
  - What does this passage teach us about how God addresses our confusion and disappointment?
  - How can Scripture help reshape the way we interpret suffering, loss, or unmet expectations?
  - Where in your life do you most need God's perspective right now?
  - Is there someone in your life who helps you understand God's Word when life doesn't make sense? If so, who are they? If not, pray for God to give you someone!
- When Jesus Opens your Eyes He Changes your Direction (Luke 24:28-31; Romans 10:9)
  - Why do you think Jesus appears ready to continue walking to the village?
  - What does the disciples' invitation for Jesus to stay the night with them reveal?
  - What might it look like practically to invite Jesus into:
    - Your daily decisions? Your finances? Your relationships?
  - Are there areas of your life where you've been hesitant to invite God in? Why?
  - What finally opens the disciples' eyes to recognize Jesus?
- Closing Thoughts
  - Why do you think Jesus disappeared the moment the recognized the disciples recognized Him?
  - Why do you think their recognition of Jesus leads them to action and testimony? (Luke 24:32-35)
  - How does the disciples' response challenge our tendency to keep spiritual experiences private?
  - Who in your life needs to hear your story about how you've encountered the risen Christ?
  - How will you respond to Jesus this week?

