

LUKE 24; September 10; The Risen Christ Appears

ANALYSIS:

1. Why were the women much perplexed when they came early to the sepulchre? _____
2. How was the good news of the resurrection, as told by the women, received by the 11? _____
3. At what point did Jesus reveal His identity to Cleopas and the other at Emmaus? _____
4. When Jesus appeared to the 11, He showed them his hands and feet; but when they believed not for joy, what else did He do to assure them it was really Him and not a spirit? _____
5. What were His disciples to do before they obeyed His command to preach to all nations? _____

Things to Think About

Have you ever wished you could have been with Cleopas when Jesus opened the scriptures about Himself? However, He first rebuked them, "O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken .. " The truth was there but they had not seen it. Then He expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning Himself. We may never grasp all the O. T. prophecies concerning Him, or understand the many types which prefigured Him, but we should be aware that He said He was there. "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me" (Jo 5:39).

May the experience of Cleopas sharpen our desire and goal to see Christ throughout scripture. Those two said, "Did not our hearts burn within us ... while He opened to us the scriptures" (v 32). Jesus was showing them Christ in the O. T.. As we read our Bibles, let us be asking ourselves, "How is Christ seen in this passage?"

HELP:

1. The women had watched where Jesus' body had been buried (23:55), but now the body was not there (vs 2-4).
2. Their words seemed to them as idle tales and they believed not. However, Peter ran to the sepulchre, looked around and wondered within himself (vs 11-12).
3. Not while teaching them all the O. T. spake of Him, but as they sat to eat and He took bread, blessed it, brake and gave to them -- then their eyes were opened (vs 30-31).
4. He asked for food, and ate broiled fish and honeycomb before them (vs 41-42).
5. Tarry in Jerusalem until He gave them the promise of the Father to endure them with power from on high (v 49).