

Sunday Sermon Discussion Outline

Pastor Philip Thomas, October 25, 2020 Luke 24:36-53 – Jesus' Appearing to the Disciples (Instilling the Word)

We Learn:

Jesus appeared to his disciples, and they thought he was a ghost! They didn't recognize Jesus because of their guilt, unbelief, fear, and, most importantly, for the same reason that the two disciples on the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus: they did not understand the word of God. Jesus patiently, compassionately, and lovingly reassured them that he had indeed risen from the dead in fulfillment of what the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms had said. He then opened their minds so that they could understand the scriptures, and their lives were transformed.

- Why were the disciples so afraid? How did Jesus deal with them?
- What does it mean that Jesus "opened their minds"?
- Why do we need to have our minds opened to understand the scriptures?
- What does the Bible say about what we should think about what we should set our minds on?
- How does receiving the word of God, of having it implanted (instilled) in us, transform our lives?

We Respond:

- What angers you about the past, and what makes you anxious about the future? What do these thoughts reveal about your relationship with God?
- What thoughts and mindsets do you need to surrender to God?

We Apply:

- What are the practical ways to receive the word of God?
- What does it mean for God to transform your life? What is the result?