

Subject: *Christ's Resurrection Day Sermon*

Scripture: *Luke 24:1-32*

The women came to the tomb early in the morning and they were not prepared for what happened. They came to honor the Lord's body with spices, but they found the stone was rolled away, the tomb was empty, and the angels said, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen. Remember what He told you before." And the world has never been the same since that announcement.

1. Christ preached a message to two disciples on the way to Emmaus (vs. 13-32)

The scene changes in verse 13. It was the same day of His resurrection. Jesus came alongside two of His disciples on their way to Emmaus (about 7 miles from Jerusalem), and took the opportunity to give them a sermon. Jesus preached to crowds or to a group of two men...it didn't matter.

- A. The introduction to His sermon (vs. 25-26) – He began with a rebuke and a question.
- B. The sermon itself (vs. 27) – He explained what the Old Testament said about Him. He didn't talk to them about the horrible suffering He endured. Not a word of complaining that He was mistreated. He stayed on one subject...what the Scripture said about Him and how He fulfilled all of it.

John 5:39 *Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.*

- C. The impact of His sermon (vs. 32)

2. Christ preached the same message to a larger group in Jerusalem (vs. 33-45)

This time He opened their understanding of the Scriptures (vs. 45). For the first time they understood the significance of what happened.

In this amazing chapter we read about several things being opened:

- The tomb was opened (vs. 2-3)
- The home of the disciples was opened to Jesus (vs. 29-30)
- Their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus (vs. 31)
- The scriptures were opened (vs. 32)
- The understanding of the disciples was opened (vs. 45)

3. Christ told His disciples to preach the same message (vs. 46-48)

Jesus gave them the authority and the assignment to preach this message beginning at Jerusalem. This was the danger zone. Remember that Jerusalem is where Jesus was crucified. The Jews and Romans hated Him and His followers. But they would be up to the assignment because they had power from on high, the Holy Spirit. They had God's assignment, God's power, and God's message—repentance and remission (forgiveness) of sins. This was a message for all nations (people).