

THE CHURCH IN NEW YORK CITY
CHILDREN'S MEETING LESSON (Pre-K&K)

Lesson #83

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SUBJECT: A walk with Two Friends – Jesus on the Road to Emmaus

SCRIPTURE: Luke 24:13-36

AIM: To show the children that the Lord Jesus is always with them even if they may not realize it at the time.

MEMORY VERSES: Hebrews 13:5c “...I will never leave you nor forsake you.”

REVIEW: Who knows what the saddest day there ever was is? Right! It was the day the Lord Jesus died on the cross for us. It was so sad because of the terrible things that had happen to Him. Even though He told His friends – the disciples – that He would be raised up and be alive again, they forgot till it really happened. So what is the happiest day ever in the whole world? Yes. The day the Lord Jesus was raised up from the dead. – Resurrection Day! He would never ever die again. He is alive NOW and will be alive forever!!!

CONTENT: On the day that the Lord Jesus was raised from the dead a few of His friend saw Him. Two of His friends were walking to a village called Emmaus. Emmaus was pretty close to Jerusalem. (That’s where all the sad things happened and that’s where the Lord Jesus came to life again.) These two friends were talking together about all the things that had happened in the past few days. While they were walking and talking, the Lord Jesus came along and walked with them but they didn’t recognize Him. God made it that way. They thought that He was just a stranger who walked with them.

The Lord Jesus asked them what they were talking about and why they were sad. Cleopas, one of the two, answered Him, “Are you a stranger in Jerusalem? Don’t you know the things that happened here a few days ago?” The Lord said, “What things?” Then they said, “About Jesus of Nazareth.” Then they told Him how Jesus was crucified three days before and how they thought He would be the one that would help God’s people. They also told Him about the women who went to the tomb and how they saw the angel that told them Jesus was alive. They even told Him about the other disciples (probably Peter and John) who went to the tomb and found the same thing. But they all didn’t really see Jesus.

Then the Lord Jesus told them they were foolish not to believe what the prophets had said a long, long time ago. (Remember the disciples didn’t know it was the Lord Jesus talking to them.) Then the Lord Jesus began to tell them about Himself from the Bible starting with Moses and what he said about the Lord.

When they got to the village (Emmaus), the Lord was going to go away but they begged Him to stay with them because it was evening time by then. So He stayed with them. When they sat down to eat, the Lord took the bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them to eat. (Remember the Last Supper?) All of a sudden it was like their eyes was opened and they recognized who this was. They recognized that it was the Lord Jesus who had been walking and talking with them the whole time! Just then the Lord Jesus disappeared! Then they said to each other, “Don’t our hearts burn (feel warm and happy) inside us when He was talking to us from the scriptures (the Bible)?”

Right after that they got up and went back to Jerusalem. There they found the eleven disciples and other friends meeting together. The ones meeting told these two men that the Lord Jesus was alive and that Peter saw Him. Then these two men told all the others what happened to them on the road to Emmaus and how they recognized the Lord when He broke the bread. As they were talking –Suddenly the Lord Jesus was there again! He told them not to be afraid. He even showed all of them His hands and feet to prove that it was Him. (Why? –because He had the holes from where He was crucified) Then again He helped them to understand the Bible and how it said that all the things that happened were suppose to happen. God knew about it all way, way back.

APPLICATION: The disciples were sad when Jesus died. They were happy when He rose again but they were kind of mixed up. They thought that even though the Lord was alive, He would leave them. The Lord Jesus wanted them to know that He would always be with them even though they could not see Him the way they used to see Him. The Lord was going to be with them in different way. He could even be inside them! Until His friends learned this lesson, the Lord appeared to them at different times and then disappeared. But –He was always with them!!

Lots of times you might feel like you're all alone—but—the Lord Jesus is right there with you. He said, "I will never leave you, or forsake you." – All you have to do is call Him and pray.

SONGS: #96, #15

96 NO, NEVER ALONE

No, never alone,
No, never alone;
He promised never to leave me,
Never to leave me alone,
(Repeat)

15 WALKING WITH JESUS

Walking with Jesus;
Walking ev'ry day, walking all the way,
Walking with Jesus;
Walking with Jesus alone.

Walking in the sunlight, walking in the shadow.
Walking everyday, walking all the way.
Walking in the sunlight, walking in the shadow,
Walking with Jesus alone.