

Talk About It:

- Have you ever lost something important to you? How did you feel?
 - Share about a time when you had a special dinner with someone.
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Read About It:

Read this story from Luke 24:13-35*:

On a Sunday afternoon, Cleopas and his friend were walking from Jerusalem to the town of Emmaus (ee-MAY-us). They were sad about how Jesus had died on the cross and been buried in a tomb. They didn't understand why Jesus had to die and they missed their friend.

Suddenly, a man appeared on the road beside them. It was Jesus! But Jesus didn't want them to recognize him quite yet. The two friends thought he was a stranger.

As they walked together, Jesus asked, "What have you been talking about?" "Haven't you heard?!" asked the friends. "Three days ago, our leaders had Jesus put to death. We had hoped that Jesus would set our people free, but then he died. But today some of the women saw angels at Jesus' empty tomb. The angels said, "Jesus is alive!" The two friends looked sad and confused. They didn't know what to think about all of these things.

So, Jesus explained everything to them. He told them about God's promises and how Jesus was the Savior God had promised. He told them that Jesus had to suffer before he went to live in heaven. The friends listened to Jesus and were amazed at what he said. They felt like their hearts were on fire!

Together, the three men walked to Emmaus. It was getting late, and the friends asked the man to stay for dinner. When the guest blessed the bread and broke it to serve to them, Cleopas and his friend realized it was Jesus! Think of their surprise! Then, Jesus disappeared.

Cleopas and his friend ran all the way back to Jerusalem to tell the good news to the disciples. Jesus was alive!

- How did Jesus help his friends understand when they were confused?
- Why do you think Cleopas and his friend felt like their hearts were on fire as they listened to Jesus?
- Why do you think the two friends ran all the way back to Jerusalem?

*adapted from *The Road to Emmaus*, Hands-On Bible Curriculum, Group Publishing

Sing About It:

Can you imagine how happy Cleopas and his friend were when they realized Jesus was alive? What exciting news! Sing about it with this fun song on YouTube:

[Jesus is Alive](#) (Lifetree Kids, Cross Culture Thailand Music Video, Group Publishing)

Think About It:

- When Jesus died on the cross, the disciples thought they had lost everything. How do you think you would have felt if you were one of Jesus' friends?
 - Do you think it was hard for people to follow Jesus after he died on the cross?
 - What makes it hard for us to follow Jesus today? How does Jesus help us follow him?
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Make It:

Make a yummy snack to help you remember today's story.

Supplies: Graham crackers, peanut butter or frosting or marshmallow crème, chocolate chips or graham cracker/cookie crumbs (you could also use savory crackers, cheese/cheese spread/cream cheese, and crushed crackers or pretzels)

Spread peanut butter on a graham cracker, then sprinkle chocolate chips or cookie crumbs on top to represent a road with dirt/rocks on it.

As you eat your snack, thank God for sending Jesus to help us understand more about God. Thank Jesus for walking with you in your life.

Do It:

Cleopas and his friend ran all the way back to Jerusalem to tell their friends that Jesus was alive. Who can you tell about the good news of Jesus? Here are some fun ways to share about Jesus with someone you know:

- Share the link to the song "Jesus is Alive" with one of your friends
 - Make a list of things you know about Jesus and share it with someone
 - Use art supplies to create a picture from today's story, then give it to someone and tell them about Jesus and his friends on the road to Emmaus
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Pray About It:

Ask Jesus to help you understand more about who he is and to make you excited to read God's Word. Thank Jesus for always walking beside you, even when you don't recognize him.

Memorize It:

The Lord has really risen! Luke 24:34