

# Family Bible Time!

This week we are looking at the Road to Emmaus.

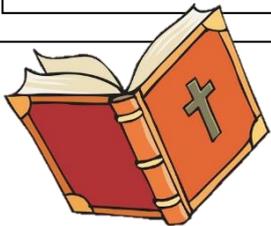
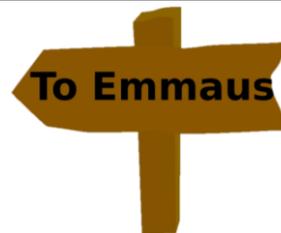
We're looking at the resurrection appearances of Jesus- all the times Jesus spent time with people after He came back to life.

We can use these experiences to learn more about Jesus and how we can know Him today!

Use all or some of these ideas to explore this story as a family! Remember, you know your family best so feel free to adapt this resource!



Start by asking everyone to draw a picture of what they think Jesus looks like. You might want to specify that it is Jesus after He came back to life and prepare yourself for a "Zombie Jesus"!



Read the story together- either from a Bible Storybook, from your own Bibles or from this sheet. Maybe you could read the story whilst walking!

## The Road to Emmaus

<sup>13</sup>That same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to the village of Emmaus, which was about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>As they were talking and thinking about what had happened, <sup>15</sup>Jesus came near and started walking along beside them. <sup>16</sup>But they did not know who he was. <sup>17</sup>Jesus asked them, "What were you talking about as you walked along?" The two of them stood there looking sad and gloomy. <sup>18</sup>Then the one named Cleopas asked Jesus, "Are you the only person from Jerusalem who didn't know what was happening there these last few days?" <sup>19</sup>"What do you mean?" Jesus asked. They answered: Those things that happened to Jesus from Nazareth. By what he did and said he showed that he was a powerful prophet, who pleased God and all the people. <sup>20</sup>Then the chief priests and our leaders had him arrested and sentenced to die on a cross. <sup>21</sup>We had hoped that he would be the one to set Israel free! But it has already been three days since all this happened. <sup>22</sup>Some women in our group surprised us. They had gone to the tomb early in the morning, <sup>23</sup>but did not find the body of Jesus. They came back, saying that they had seen a vision of angels who told them that he is alive. <sup>24</sup>Some men from our group went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said. But they didn't see Jesus either. <sup>25</sup>Then Jesus asked the two disciples, "Why can't you understand? How can you be so slow to believe all that the prophets said? <sup>26</sup>Didn't you know that the Messiah would have to suffer before he was given his glory?" <sup>27</sup>Jesus then explained everything written about himself in the Scriptures, beginning with the Law of Moses and the Books of the Prophets. <sup>28</sup>When the two of them came near the village where they were going, Jesus seemed to be going farther. <sup>29</sup>They begged him, "Stay with us! It's already late, and the sun is going down." So Jesus went into the house to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>After Jesus sat down to eat, he took some bread. He blessed it and broke it. Then he gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>At once they knew who he was, but he disappeared. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, "When he talked with us along the road and explained the Scriptures to us, didn't it warm our hearts?" <sup>33</sup>So they got right up and returned to Jerusalem. The two disciples found the eleven apostles and the others gathered together. <sup>34</sup>And they learned from the group that the Lord was really alive and had appeared to Peter. <sup>35</sup>Then the disciples from Emmaus told what happened on the road and how they knew he was the Lord when he broke the bread.

Luke 24: 13-35

## Questions and things to chat about:

- Why do you think that the disciples didn't recognise Jesus?
- What helps you to recognise Jesus today?
- How can you help other people recognise Jesus?
- When did the disciples recognise Jesus?
- Why do you think that the disciples' hearts were warmed?



## Craft:

- Use lemon juice to create invisible ink and show how Jesus revealed himself to the others!
- Breaking bread was an important part of this story- if you have flour could you make bread? If not make a crazy sandwich to eat!
  - Design a board game called "Road to Emmaus" think about all the parts in the story- Jesus arriving, breaking bread and talking about the Old Testament, how can you incorporate them?



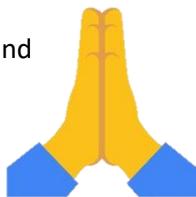
## Games & Songs:

- Play a game of Hide and Seek
- Have different races- you could have fast walking, slow walking, running races
- Song Suggestion:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dgf1YzscBLE>  
(Every move I make)
- Song Suggestion:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n1bXG4WlesA> (  
Never Once)



## Prayer activity:

Draw around your foot and decorate the inside with pictures, Bible verses and prayers. Keep it as a reminder that God is always with you.



## Extras:

- Look up different picture of Jesus on the internet and see how He is drawn in different nationalities.
- Print out a colouring sheet/ puzzle sheet to complete
- Act out the story on your walk- get someone in your family to hide further down the path and jump out!
- Look at all the different videos on YouTube of the story!

