

# Lesson 32

4-11-2021  
LEADER GUIDE



## THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

LUKE 24:13-35

### GOAL

**To help children understand that the Bible is a book about Jesus that is full of clues that reveal his true identity.** Every puzzle piece of truth uncovers more and more about the Messiah—every name given to Him, every act of judgment and mercy performed, every promise made, and every story carefully placed in Scripture all point to who He is. When Jesus came to die to forgive us for our sins, as the Scriptures had predicted long before, *there were many who did not recognize Him as the Messiah—and too many more who did not care.* It is through knowledge of the Scriptures that we come to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. Although the two disciples did not have a clear understanding of who Jesus was and what He would do, this story begins with them contemplating the events of His life and death. As Jesus presented the Scriptures to them, everything began to make more sense. The stranger was Jesus, the long awaited Messiah, and He was indeed ALIVE!

### CHARACTERS

**Two disciples of Jesus, one named Cleopas:** Disciples of Jesus who were confused and despondent over the death of their master. While on the road to Emmaus, Jesus himself joined them on their journey. They did not recognize him right away, but were amazed and encouraged by the words He spoke. Once they arrived at their destination, they urged Jesus to stay and join them for supper. When Jesus broke the bread and gave thanks to God, they finally recognized who he was.

**Jesus:** At the beginning of the story, Jesus is merely an unidentified stranger, but by the end revealed himself to the disciples as their Messiah. Jesus joined two of his disciples as they traveled to the village of Emmaus. He encouraged the disciples as he revealed himself to them and opened their eyes to the glorious truths.



MEMORY  
VERSE

**Luke 24:27:** And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

OVERVIEW

**Read Luke 24:13-35:** This is a story about two disciples whose lives were changed by the events that transpired during a 7-mile journey to the nearby village of Emmaus. The two disciples, one of them named Cleopas, were brokenhearted and discouraged over the recent death of their master, Jesus. While they engaged in a heart-to-heart discussion over the recent events, a stranger joined them—a stranger who was none other than Jesus. They did not recognize him at first as they listened intently to his commentary on the Scriptures concerning the Messiah. *But when they arrived at their destination, they were so intrigued by Him that they urged him to stay and join them for supper. Jesus agreed to stay. He took the bread, gave thanks to God, broke it, and handed the pieces to the disciples. It was in that moment that the two disciples finally recognized Him as their beloved Master.*

MEMORY  
VERSE  
MEANING

**Read Luke 24: 13-35:** In this story, Jesus walked and talked with his friends, the disciples, and helped them to understand the Scriptures concerning Himself. He personally ministered encouragement and hope with His words. Jesus made a promise to all of His disciples and all those who follow Him, that although we cannot see Him, He lives in us through the Holy Spirit. He promises He will never leave us or forsake us. He left us with His Spirit to show us the clues in Scripture in order to reveal to us His plan, His love, and His promises.



## QUESTION & ANSWER

SLIDE 1



**Q1a:** Where were the disciples going?

**A1:** They were going to Emmaus.

**Q1b:** What is the farthest you've ever had to walk somewhere?

**TN:** Use this question to get students to realize how long it would take these two men to walk 7 miles.

SLIDE 2



**Q2a:** Who joined the disciples on their journey?

**A2:** Jesus

**Q2b:** Have you ever been unable to remember who someone is or how you know them?

**TN:** Such a situation is a step up from where these two disciples were—they didn't recognize Jesus on any level. To these men, Jesus was a perfect stranger.

SLIDE 3



**Q3a:** How did Jesus respond to the disciples' explanation of the recent events?

**A3:** He showed them everything concerning Himself in the Scriptures.



## QUESTION & ANSWER

SLIDE 5



**Q5a:** When did the disciples finally recognize that the man was Jesus?

**A5:** After Jesus handed the disciples the bread.

**Q5b:** A friend of yours tells you he just met a really nice guy named Clark Kent. How do you react?

**TN:** Clark Kent is Superman's secret identity. In these comics, cartoons, and movies, Clark is just a regular guy who works at a newspaper; but those watching and reading know who he is and what he's capable of doing. For most of this Bible story, Jesus is just some likable guy who is super knowledgeable about Scriptures. Little did these two disciples know that they had the Savior of the world in their house. He took the time to walk with them, help them to understand the Scriptures, and then broke bread with them. Amazing!

SLIDE 6



**Q6a:** What did seeing Jesus confirm for the two disciples?

**A6:** That Jesus was alive, and that He was the long-awaited Messiah.

**Q6b:** How can we really get to know Jesus?

**TN:** We can get to know Him through prayer, which helps to develop a relationship with Him; but we also can learn more about Him, His nature, and His love by reading Scripture.



MEMORY  
VERSE

- ▶ **Luke 24:27:** And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.
- .....

BIG IDEA

- ▶ Scripture is the key to understanding Jesus' love for us.
- .....

CLOSING  
PRAYER

- ▶ Dear Lord Jesus, open our eyes to see the truths about You in Scripture so that we can truly know You. Thank You that You died for us, that You rose from the' dead, and that You are always true to Your promises. We pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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## CROSSWORD

### ANSWER KEY

#### **Across**

4. What was the disciple's name, who answered Jesus's questions? (**Cleopas**)
7. When Jesus first joined his disciples on their journey, they did not know it was him because they could not (**Recognize**) him.
8. As soon as the disciples recognized Jesus, he (**Vanished**) from their sight.
9. Jesus told his disciples that according to scripture, the Messiah would have to (**Suffer**) before his death.

#### **Down**

1. Jesus pretended not to know that three days earlier he had been (**Crucified**).
2. When the disciples arrived at their destination they invited Jesus to join them for (**Supper**).
3. The disciples didn't recognize Jesus until Jesus (**Broke**) bread with them.
5. How many miles long was the journey to Emmaus? (**Seven**)
6. After Jesus was crucified, what city was left in turmoil? (**Jerusalem**)

# THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

**Luke 24:31**

Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him.



**Family Devotional**



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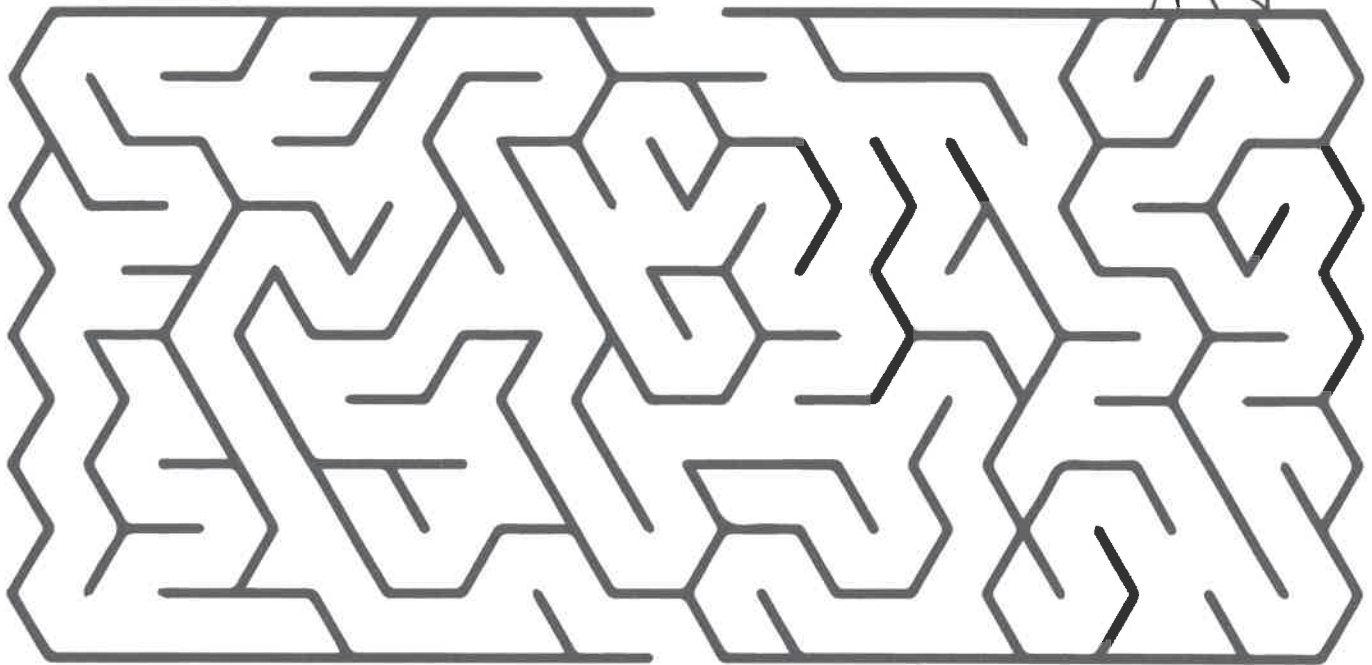
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# THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

Lead Jesus to his disciples who are traveling.



START



END





# THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

Spot 8 differences between the two pictures.







# THE ROAD TO EMMAUS



Discover the hidden words.

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J	Q	M	Y	E	K	L	R	U	H	O	T	G	Z	R
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## Word Bank

JESUS

CLEOPAS

JOURNEY

VANISH

MESSIAH

SUFFER

CRUCIFIED

SUPPER

EMMAUS

JERUSALEM

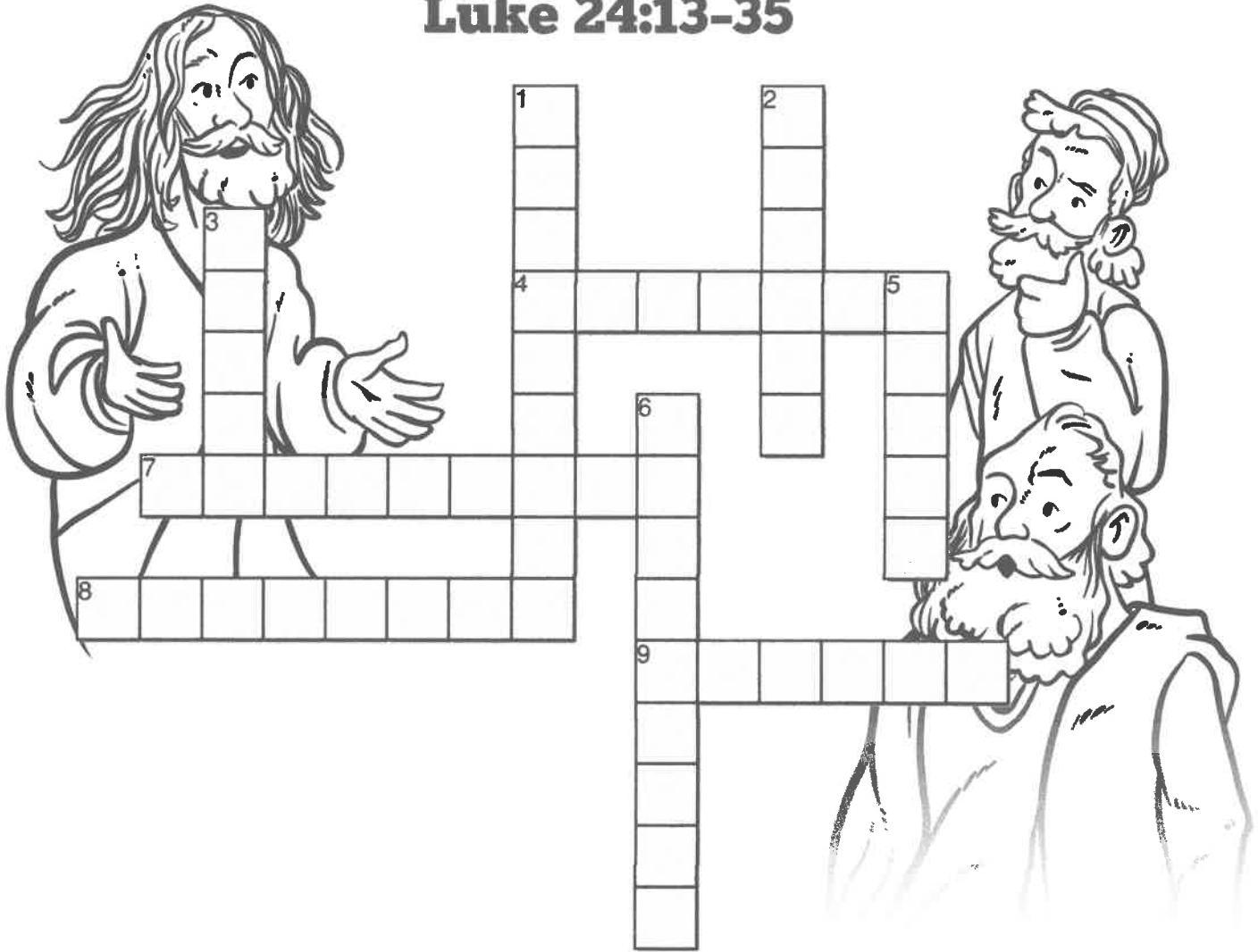
SEVEN

SCRIPTURE



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