

# "CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: DOING WHO I AM WITH UNDERSTANDING"

Of Issachar, those who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do... 1 Chronicles 12:32

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# **TEXT: LUKE 24:13-35**

# TITLE: JESUS WILL HELP YOU TO UNDERSTAND THE SCRIPTURES ABOUT HIM AND BELIEVE IN HIM

## **INTRODUCTION**

- A. How many have ever had a project to do, or bought a new gadget from the store and decided to put it together?
- B. How many times have you worked on the project without reading the instructions and it still don't turn out the way you would like?
- C. How many times have you read the instructions, and tried to follow the instructions and it still did not go according to plan?

#### TWO MEN HAD A VISIT WITH A STRANGER (VERSES 13-16)

- A. After the women had a strange encounter with the angels at the empty tomb vs 1-9, the men are traveling on the road to Emmaus on that same day.
- B. As they were talking among themselves, Jesus showed up, but they did not recognize Him
- C. Just like the disciples had their high hopes dashed, perhaps you had high hopes and dreams, and you have tried to follow it through and things didn't work out.
- D. Just like Jesus showed up to talk to the disciples, He desires to show in your life.
- E. But when He does show up, will you recognize Him, or has He become a stranger to you?

## THE TWO MEN HAD A CONVERSATION WITH THE STRANGER (VERSES 17-27)

- A. Jesus began to ask them what they were discussing about.
- B. Then Jesus began to teach them the Scriptures, and what they meant concerning Himself.
- C. Are you struggling with what the Scripture says about Jesus?
- D. Jesus called Himself the Christ / The Anointed One. The Messiah. John 9:35;37 Jesus is the Son of God.
- E. Are you struggling to believe the fact that He died, was buried; but has risen again? 1 Corinthians 15:3-4
- F. Jesus desires to help you understand the Scriptures about Himself.

## FROM STRANGER, TO GUEST, TO HOST (VERSES 28-30)

- A. Jesus decided to go farther into town. But they insisted that He stayed with them for night.
- B. As soon as Jesus blessed the bread, broke it, and gave it to them, their eyes were opened and He vanished.
- C. Jesus does not want to remain a stranger to you. He desires to be a special guest in your home/life. Rev. 3:20
- D. Jesus desires to open your eyes (spiritually) to see Him in the truth of Scripture.

# THE JOY OF SPENDING TIME YOUR FRIEND (VERSE 32)

- A. The disciples expressed joy spending time with their Friend.
- B. After you spend time with Jesus, you too will express joy being in His presence.

## THE DISCIPLES BELIEVED 34-35

- A. After the disciples had an amazing encounter with the Lord, they told others "the Lord is risen indeed".
- B. The same Lord who will help understand the Scriptures about Him, will help you believe in Him.

## CONCLUSION: GET TO KNOW THE MANUEL AND THE AUTHOR

- 1. In order to understand the instructions on the manual, you have to study it.
- 2. In order to know what The Manuel (word) says you have to study it.
- 3. If you have any questions about the manual is saying, you ask the person who made the product.
- 4. If you have any questions about the Manuel (word) ask the Author of the Manuel.
- 5. Spend time with the Manuel and spend time the Author of the Manuel.