

# TAKING WORSHIP INTO YOUR WEEK



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When we struggle to hold on to hope, or experience moments when hope seems gone, we trudge along, head down, eyes to the ground, defeated. . . as did the two disciples who were walking into the setting sun toward Emmaus on Easter Sunday night. What does it take to have hope restored? The presence of the risen Christ, and the promises in his Word. Restoration of hope is always possible when Christ encounters hopelessness.

Read Luke 24:13-35

1. Recall a time, if you can, a time when you felt hopeless because of something you believed to be true, only to find out that it wasn't true at all, and your feelings changed. Think about how our feelings are determined by what we believe.
  2. The village to which the two disciples were traveling on that late Easter Sunday was "Emmaus." No one is certain precisely where this village was located, in Jesus day (visit this [Wikipedia article](#) if you want to explore that further). Why do you think that is? Might it be so that anywhere you happen to be, when you're hopeless, is your "Emmaus?"
  3. Read vs. 19-24 again. List the things they mistakenly believe.
  4. Read vs. 25-27 again; how did Jesus change their belief? What was the end result of that change (vs. 33-35)?
  5. Taking your cue from vs. 30-32, in what way do we recognize our Lord every time we worship? Decide to remind yourself of that great truth the next time you're about to commune.
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