
Jesus Appears to the Disciples

Luke 24:36-49; John 20:19-29; Acts 1:3

1. Read the following passages and describe the disciple's emotions and feelings as they were in the room when Jesus appeared

Luke 24:37

John 20:19

Luke 24:38

John 20:20

Luke 24:41

John 20:21

2. Although Jesus told the disciples many times of his death and resurrection they did not remember or think of it during this time. Read the following passages that Jesus also tells his disciples that could apply to us in a similar way today.

Matthew 24:9-13

Matthew 10:16-24

3. Jesus appeared and knew their fears and responded to them by first addressing their fear and doubt, then by lovingly showing them his hands and feet as proofs of his resurrection and by eating fish in front of them. Jesus did not condemn them for their disbelief, but reassured them, twice telling them (in John) Peace be unto you. What things cause us as Christians to suffer guilt and doubt over in our Christian life? How does Jesus response to the fear and doubt of his disciples encourage us?
4. Read Psalms 103:8-14 and discuss below God's response to the sins of those who love him. What does it mean that God knows our frame and remembers that we are dust?
5. The significance of Christ's resurrection cannot be understated. Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-19 and discuss the implications of if Christ had not risen from the dead.