

ACTS 1:3 NIV

After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.



WEEK 1 Jesus Appeared on the Road to Emmaus

WEEK 2 Jesus Appeared to the Disciples

WEEK 3 Jesus Gave the Great Commission

WEEK 4 Jesus Ascended to Heaven

WEEK 5 Jesus Appeared to Saul

WEEK 6 Jesus Appeared to John

Post Resurrection Appearances

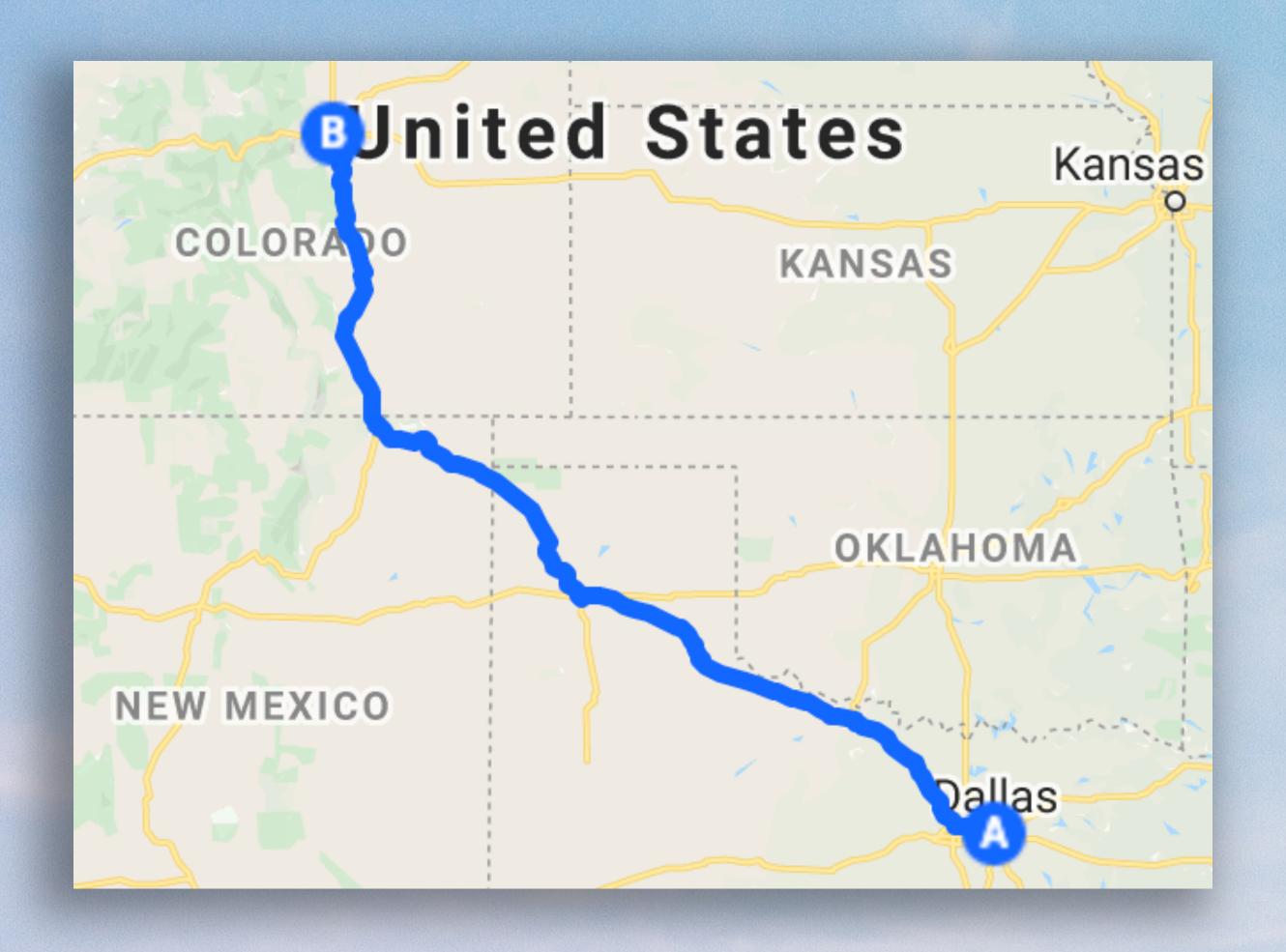
Provide Evidence

Give Insight

Deliver Instruction



JESUS APPEARED ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS



The biblical text describes the disciples as bewildered and befuddled; puzzled, perplexed—and dejected.

Here is what I know:

Even followers of Jesus can have a difficult time embracing His resurrection.

How should disciples of Jesus respond to His Resurrection?

#1: Don't be a Fool

LUKE 24:13-16 NIV

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LUKE 24:17-19 NIV

He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?" They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" ¹⁹ "What things?" he asked. "About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people.

LUKE 24:20-23 NIV

The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive.

LUKE 24:24-26 NIV

Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus." ²⁵ He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?"

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The Walk
The Talk
The Stalk

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Death
Dazed
Disbelief

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Don't be a fool and doubt the witness of the resurrection

"A grand truth that emerges from this story, as it does in none of the other Gospels, is that the disciples did not invent the resurrection story. At first, they neither understood it or believed it. None of the Gospels tells us how Jesus was resurrected because none of the Gospel authors saw it. How did they resist creatively imagining such a spellbinding story for the Church? They resisted because they were not mythmakers but witnesses."

KENT HUGHES

Luke: That You May Know the Truth

Don't be a fool and miss the teachings of scripture: sin demands payment

"The hope of the pair had been that he was the one to redeem Israel; they had seen him as the promised Deliverer. Redemption in the ancient world signified deliverance on payment of a price... [but] until Calvary no-one could know the extent of the cost."

LEON MORRIS

Luke: An Introduction and Commentary

#1: Don't be a Fool

#2: Believe the Book

#2
Believe the Book!

LUKE 24:27 NIV

And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself

This is not a new theme for Jesus.

JOHN 5:39-40 NIV

You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very Scriptures that testify about me, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me to have life.

a great tutoring session

#2
Believe the Book!

LUKE 24:28-31 NIV

As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.

But He wants our help

#2
Believe the Book!

LUKE 24:32-35 NIV

They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" ³³They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." ³⁵Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

Tell Your Story