

Jesus Appears to the Disciples - Luke 24:35-49

I wonder what was it like to see Jesus after he came back to life?

I wonder what was it like to walk and talk to Jesus again?

I wonder why his followers were afraid?

I wonder why his friends thought he was a ghost?

I wonder what his friends thought when Jesus showed him his hands and feet?

I wonder why this story is important for us to know?

Jesus and Me

Jesus appeared to the disciples several times before ascending into heaven. He wanted to be with his friends and spend time with them before he left.

Invite your children to draw their favorite way to spend time with Jesus. For younger children, you may want to add words to their paper to reflect their responses as they draw.

Here are some prompts you may use, if needed:

Draw a picture of you and Jesus together. Think about your favorite way to spend time with Jesus. What is Jesus doing? Is He singing with you? Sitting next to you, and talking to you? Listening and smiling? Holding you on His lap? What are you doing? What would you say to Jesus? What would Jesus say to you?

Peace Be With You

Encourage your neighbors with the same words Jesus said to his disciples.

Make a door hanger to leave on a neighbor's door that invites them to hear these words from Jesus, "Peace be with you!"

Use chalk to leave a message on your sidewalk or driveway or on the driveway of a friend or neighbor. You can add drawings and decorations around the words that remind all who walk by that Jesus brings us peace.

I Spy!

Look for things around you that remind you of Jesus. We will not see him in the same way the disciples did, but Jesus invites us to enter into God's story every day. It may be as you sing a song, read a Bible story or pray. It may be in someone's kind words or actions. Or you may see Jesus in creation as you play outside. How many things do you "spy" that make you think of Jesus?