

[During this next two-week period, all Groups are encouraged to take one week's gathering time to attend the "shroud display" at the Augusta Campus (Simmons Hall) and use the alternate week to discuss Luke 24 and thoughts concerning the display.]

## **LOVE**

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another... (John 13:34)

- Internal: How was your week...anything new? How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- External: Is there any individual or family who is struggling or needs encouragement from us?

### **TRUTH**

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another... (Col. 3:16)

- 1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you? [Dialogue]
- 2. Who here has been able to visit the "shroud display." What thoughts/emotions were you left with? [Dialogue]
- 3. Let's read our primary text. In the opening verses, what do we learn about Jesus' word? How does this help us as we continue to trust God?
  - The angelic beings remind these women that Jesus' words would and did come to fruition.
- 4. What do we learn about mankind being in proximity to angelic beings and proximity to Jesus? What commonalities do they share?
  - There is an apparent holiness that demands something from us physically. In these experiences, individuals are often frightened, fall to the ground, shield their faces, or are even given instruction (Moses instructed to remove sandals). On the road to Emmaus, the women who walked with Jesus recall their "hearts burning within them."
- 5. How does Jesus elevate the Scriptures in this chapter? How would you navigate showing someone that all the Scriptures point to Jesus?
  - He explains that everything written about Him in the Law, Prophets, and Psalms must be fulfilled, including His suffering, resurrection, and the preaching of repentance and forgiveness of sins in His name to all nations. We can do this for others. Tell them how all of redemptive history in the Bible points to Jesus.
- 6. What was the response to the ascension of Jesus? How does this encourage you? The disciples worshiped Him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, continually praising God in the temple.
- 7. How does the resurrection shape your hope today? [Dialogue]
- 8. Any other thoughts you would like to share before we wrap up this text? [Dialogue]

### **GREAT COMMISSION**

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- Did you disciple your family well this week? Is it apparent to others that Jesus the reason for your hope in your daily activity? Would anyone like to share the gospel with the group?

# **CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE**

But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group? [apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives.

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#### Sources:

- ESV Study Bible Commentary
- Christ-Centered Exposition, Luke (Anyabwile)
- AI Resources (Apple, Chat GPT)