

Hope on the Road to Emmaus October 20, 2019

Luke 24:4-6; 9, *“As the women stood in the tomb puzzled, two men suddenly appeared to them, clothed in dazzling robes. They were terrified and bowed with their faces to the ground. Then the men asked, “Why are you looking among the dead for someone who is alive? He isn’t here! He is risen from the dead! Remember what he told you back in Galilee... So they rushed back from the tomb to tell Jesus’ eleven disciples, and everyone else, what had happened. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James and several other women who told the apostles what had happened. But the story sounded like nonsense to the men, so they didn’t believe.”*

1 Timothy 1:1, *“Christ Jesus...is our hope.”*

Luke 24:13; 17-21, *“That same day two of Jesus’ followers were walking to the village of Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem... Jesus asked them, “What are you discussing so intently as you walk along? They stopped short, sadness written across their faces. Then one of them, Cleopas, replied, “You must be the only person in Jerusalem who hasn’t heard about all the things that have happened there the last few days.” “What things?” Jesus asked. “The things that happened to Jesus, the man from Nazareth,” they said. “He was a prophet who did powerful miracles, and he was a mighty teacher in the eyes of God and all the people. But our leading priests and other religious leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and they crucified him. We had hoped he was the Messiah who had come to rescue Israel. This all happened three days ago.”*

Psalms 71:5, *“For You are my hope; O Lord God, You are my confidence from my youth.”*

Luke 24:25-27, *“Then Jesus said to them, “You foolish people! You find it so hard to believe all that the prophets wrote in the Scriptures. Wasn’t it clearly predicted that the Messiah would have to suffer all these things before entering his glory? Then Jesus took them through the writings of Moses and all the prophets, explaining from all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.”*

Romans 15:4, *“For whatever was written in earlier times was written for our instruction, so that through perseverance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.”*

Hebrews 4:12, *“The word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.”*