

Master Evangelism

EVANGELISM AND THE SULLEN

Luke 24:13-49

Jesus knows how to help disillusioned disciples become magnificent messengers

I. ASK QUESTIONS (13-27)

A. WHAT WORDS? (13-18)

1. What are the people around you talking about?
2. Pay attention to their emotions
3. Be ready for them to be stunned that you are so ignorant (18)

B. WHAT THINGS? (19-24)

1. Listen carefully to what they're focused on
2. These dejected disciples were concerned with ...
 - a. Things about Jesus' ministry (19)
 - b. Things about Jewish killers (20)
 - c. Things about their hopes (21)
 - d. Things about their associates (22-24)
 - e. Things that were confusing!!!

II. OFFER ANSWERS ... (25-27)

A. ABOUT HUMAN NATURE (25)

1. People have foolish minds and faulty hearts
2. Many fail to believe **all** that the prophets spoke

B. ABOUT THE MESSIAH'S MISSION (26)

1. Suffering was necessary before glory
2. This teaching was largely lacking in the Temple and synagogues of the time

C. ABOUT OLD TESTAMENT PREDICTIONS (27)

1. Use Scripture
 - a. With Moses: The Law
 - b. With all the prophets
2. Explain Scripture
 - Example: Philip with the Ethiopian eunuch in **Acts 8:30-35**

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III. INSPIRE INTEREST (28-35)

A. MAKE THEM WANT MORE (28-30)

B. HELP THEM RECOGNIZE TRUTH (31-32)

1. Their eyes opened > Recognizing Jesus
2. Their hearts ignited > Burning within them
3. Their minds informed > Scripture explained to them

C. WATCH THEM ANXIOUSLY REPORT (33-35)

1. They didn't go looking for Jesus who had disappeared
2. They want to share what they know
3. They were ready to report even to those already convinced about Christ's resurrection

IV. ENCOURAGE OTHERS (44-49)

- Note: This is a general summary of Christ's post-resurrection teachings to His followers

A. ABOUT SCRIPTURE (44)

1. All OT Scriptures had to be fulfilled
2. Christ was very careful to fulfill the Scriptures about Himself
 - "That it might be fulfilled" - See Matt. 26:54, 56 or John 19:24, 26 and 36

B. ABOUT ENABLEMENT (45)

1. Christ opens minds
2. A proper Christology was needed by these disciples

C. ABOUT REVELATION (46)

1. Christ's suffering - Psalm 22 and Isaiah 53
2. Christ's resurrection - Psalm 16:10

D. ABOUT PROCLAMATION (47-49)

1. What? (47a) > Repentance (Joel 2:32) and forgiveness of sins (Isaiah 49:6)
2. How? > In His name (47b)
3. To whom? All nations (47c)
4. Where? Beginning at Jerusalem (47d)
5. Who? You are witnesses (48)
6. When? After you are clothed with power from on high (see Acts 1-2)

CONCLUSION: Jesus knew how to encourage sad and dejected disciples

Might we be inspired and invigorated to tell what we know to others about His salvation
- *Turning giver-uppers into going-outers*

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