



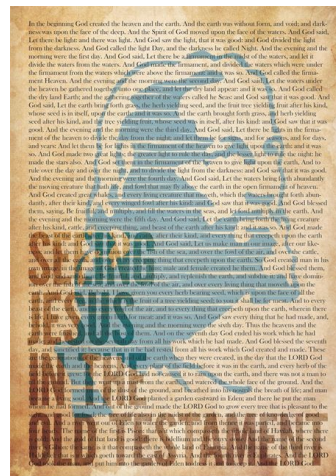
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"For the whole Christ is in every word and wholly in each individual word. When He is denied, therefore, in one word, He is totally denied, for He is in every word."

-Martin Luther (*Luther's Works*, 25:238).

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Worship on the Way

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed—Alleluia!

But now what?

The road to Emmaus, I think, goes a long *way* in answering that question. Of the many lenses that could be used to examine this popular resurrection appearance of Jesus, I've been thinking lately about what the road to Emmaus account teaches us about worship.

First, we're told that Jesus both *draws near* and *goes with* the two disciples (Lk. 24:15). Even though their eyes are kept from recognizing him, Jesus still comes to them and is present with them as they travel "on the way" (Lk. 24:32, 35).

Next, Jesus repeatedly prompts these two disciples to *confess what they believe about him* (Lk. 24:17, 19). Have you ever noticed that their response sounds similar in places to our ancient creeds? I'll note some similar creedal phrases in brackets: "Jesus of Nazareth, a man ["and was made man"] who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death ["suffered under Pontius Pilate"], and crucified him ["was crucified, died, and was buried"]. ...it is now the third day since these things happened ["the third day he rose again from the dead"]" (Lk. 24:19-20). After Jesus rebukes them for not believing "all that the prophets have spoken" (Lk. 24:25), the disciples are then made to *listen to how Jesus is the fulfillment of the scriptures* (Lk. 24:27).

Once that is completed, Jesus again prompts the disciples by acting as if he were going further to *beseech him* to stay with them (Lk. 24:29). Much like the title of the popular hymn, "Abide with Me," the words that the disciples use are literally "abide with us." Fascinatingly, Luke tells us that this request "prevailed over him" (Lk. 24:29)!

As is well known, Jesus then not only *stays with* them but also *feeds* them. With action words that are identical to those used at the Last Supper, Jesus "took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him" (Lk. 24:30-31). This is the first time in Luke's gospel, in fact, that the risen Christ is recognized—He now wants to be with us in "the breaking of the bread."

Finally, after realizing all that had taken place, the two disciples then return to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples about "what had happened on the way and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread" (Lk. 24:25). In other words, they *speak to others about both word* ("what had happened on the way") *and sacrament* ("the breaking of the bread").

So it is that while we are "on the way" to our heavenly destination, we are never apart from the One who is the way, the truth, and the life (Jn. 14:6). As we have seen from the road to Emmaus account, Jesus draws near to us, goes with us, invites us to confess him, hear about him, pray to him, eat with him, and speak to others about his teaching and his feeding. This, my friends, is worship on the way!

Dr. Brian German
Director of the Concordia Bible Institute

Upcoming Events

Spring CBI Seminar:

The Gospel of John: Round Two

Featuring Rev. Dr. William Weinrich

Saturday, May 4

8:45am to 2:30pm in the
Pharmacy Building


\$30 regular registration
\$10 CUW Faculty/Staff/Students

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