

• LESSON 25 (June 26) •

Luke 24 • But on the First Day of the Week...

1. “But on the first day of the week...” (24:1). How has that phrase come to be very precious to disciples of Jesus and even shaped who we are and what we do?
2. Who is the “they” in Luke 24:1?
3. Who did these women believe the “two men” who “stood by them in dazzling apparel” (28:4) were? How do we know?
4. “But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them” (24:11). What do you make of this sentence describing “the eleven” and others? What can we learn from it?
5. In response to the explanation of the two individuals on the road to Emmaus (24:13-24), Jesus said, “O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken!” (24:25). Why would Jesus respond in this way? What did he mean?
6. “And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself” (24:27). Take some time to reflect on that detail of Luke’s “orderly account.” What sort of things from the Old Testament might Jesus have brought up and applied to himself?
7. If you experienced what Luke is describing in 24:28-31 or even heard it described firsthand by those who did, what would you be thinking?
8. “Peace to you!” (24:36). Take a moment to think about what it would mean to hear that phrase from Jesus. How would it have powerfully affected the eleven?
9. What do you think Luke wants us to understand from the details he provides in 24:36-43?
10. How would you summarize the closing verses of Luke’s orderly account (24:44-53)? What does Jesus want his disciples—ancient and modern—to grasp and do? In what way should these words continue to shape our identity, devotion, and mission today?