

RESURRECTION HOPE FOR HOPELESS PEOPLE

Luke 24:13-35

I. Recognize our misguided _____: we are looking for the _____ thing

Hope in the Bible [is] the expectation of a favorable future under God's direction. - *Harper Collins Bible Dictionary*

II. Recognize our _____ problem: we are slow to _____

1st century people were no more prepared to believe in resurrection than we are (Luke 24:10-11; 24:22-24)

Historical evidence for the resurrection:

1. _____ eyewitnesses
2. _____ witnesses
3. Combination of _____ tomb and appearances of Jesus
4. Rapid growth of the _____

III. Welcome the Stranger who gives us hope

A. Jesus warms their _____ by explaining the Scriptures.

B. Jesus opens their eyes through the breaking of _____.

***Questions for reflection:**

1. Is your hope for a favorable future in anything other than Jesus?
2. How does the resurrection bring hope into your life?
3. Do you find the historical evidence for the resurrection compelling?
4. What two things did Jesus use to change the two disciples? What role do these two things play in your life today?