

**Journeying with the Risen Christ –
On the Road to Emmaus from Jerusalem**

While they were discussing these things, Jesus approached and began to walk along with them, although they were kept from recognising Jesus, who asked them, “What are you two discussing as you go your way?” They stopped and looked sad. One of them, Cleopas by name, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who doesn’t know the things that have happened these past few days?”

Jesus said to them, “What things?” They said, “About Jesus of Nazareth, a prophet powerful in word and deed in the eyes of God and all the people.” Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, Jesus interpreted for them every passage of scripture which referred to the Messiah. By now they were near the village they were going to, and Jesus appeared to be going further. But they said eagerly, “Stay with us. It’s nearly evening—the day is practically over.” So the saviour went in and stayed with them. After sitting down with them to eat, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, then broke the bread and began to distribute it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognised Jesus, who immediately vanished from their sight.

They said to one another, “Weren’t our hearts burning inside us as this one talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?” They got up immediately and returned to Jerusalem, where they found the Eleven and the rest of the company assembled. They were greeted with, “Christ has risen! It’s true! Jesus has appeared to Simon!” Then the travellers recounted what had happened on the road, and how they had come to know Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

- Luke 24:15-19, 27-35

Blessing Prayer:

**On the journey of this day, accompany us
In the stories we share, inspire us
In our breaking of bread, sustain us
In our desire of you may our hearts burn
and overflow with joy and love, Gracious Companion (Jesus) Amen.**

