

***Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further***  
***International Bible Lessons***

**Luke 24:1-12 & 30-35**

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Some Bible study groups or classes can further discussion by asking some or all of the **Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further** below. Others may want to send the bulletin size *International Bible Lesson* home with their students for further study in the coming week to encourage continuing Bible study. The *Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further* below are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The *Class Preparation Guide* includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class so they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible class.

**Questions for Discussion and Thinking Further**

**1. What is one fact about Jesus’ resurrection that you remember from other books of the Bible that Luke does not include in these verses or in his book?**

After His resurrection, Jesus helped seven of His disciples catch some fish; then, He fed them fish and talked personally to Peter and John (John 21).

**2. Why do you think the apostles would not believe the women?**

They were in too much disappointment and shock. They may not have given the women credit for reporting their experience rightly.

**3. Why do you believe in Jesus’ resurrection?**

The Bible tells me so, and I have a personal relationship with Jesus.

**4. In addition to the eyewitness accounts they had heard about Jesus having risen from the dead, what other important evidence did Jesus give these two people in His efforts to convince them that He was alive?**

He taught them what the Bible (the Old Testament) taught about Him and what He would do. He performed a familiar act when He broke the bread before their eyes, and then He disappeared.

**5. Why do you think Jesus did not appear to all the disciples until after the women and the two who saw Jesus on the road to Emmaus reminded them of what the Bible taught and what Jesus had taught them earlier?**

Jesus wanted their faith to be built on what the Bible taught, not upon magic, miracles, or appearances. Magicians can perform at least some “miracles”; such as the magicians in Egypt before the eyes of Moses and Pharaoh, but they could not duplicate the LORD’s mighty miracles through Moses. Magicians can make people disappear and appear again, but not in the many ways that Jesus appeared prior to His ascension into heaven. Therefore, it was important for them and equally important for us to base our faith on what the Bible teaches and the eye witness accounts in the Bible so we will not be misled by deceivers: “I say this because many deceivers, who do not acknowledge Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh, have gone out into the world. Any such person is the deceiver and the antichrist” (2 John 1:7).