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SERMON OUTLINE

FOLLOWING JESUS #30

HEARTS BURNING TO FOLLOW HIM

LUKE 24:13-35 | REV. DON GUICO

Luke 24:13–35 follows two disciples traveling to Emmaus on the day of Jesus' resurrection. They knew about His crucifixion, the empty tomb, and the women's report, yet remained disappointed and confused. Jesus approached them, explained the Scriptures, and revealed Himself, renewing their hope and moving them to share the news.

As the disciples discussed recent events, Jesus joined them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing Him. They described Him as a prophet mighty in deed and word and recounted His condemnation and crucifixion. Their words, "But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel," revealed their disappointment. Although they knew the resurrection reports, they did not understand how His suffering fulfilled God's saving purpose. (Luke 24:13–24)

Jesus rebuked them for being slow to believe all that the prophets had spoken. He explained that the Messiah's suffering and entrance into glory were necessary within God's plan. Beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted the things concerning Himself throughout the Scriptures. His teaching showed that the cross fulfilled the saving purpose they thought it had defeated. (Luke 24:25–27)

Near Emmaus, the disciples urged Jesus to stay with them. At the table, He took bread, blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him before He vanished from their sight. They then recalled how their hearts burned within them as He opened the Scriptures. Their renewed understanding and recognition confirmed that the crucified Jesus was alive. (Luke 24:28–32)

The disciples rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. The gathered believers greeted them with the announcement that the Lord had risen and appeared to Simon. The travelers then described their encounter on the road and their recognition of Jesus in the breaking of the bread. Their disappointment gave way to confident testimony. (Luke 24:33–35)

The risen Christ renews His followers' hope through His revealed truth. This sermon assures believers that Jesus fulfills God's saving purpose and calls us to bring Him our grief, let Scripture shape our understanding, trust Him, and proclaim His resurrection.❋

BRINGING BLESSING AND REFRESHMENT TO OTHERS

REV. LITO VILLORIA

"Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered." – Proverbs 11:25

Last Monday, the Lord reminded me through this passage that we are to generously bless others and trust Him for His provision. In Proverbs 11, Solomon contrasted generosity with selfishness. He described a generous person as someone who brings refreshment to others, much like water that nourishes and sustains life.

Everything we possess comes from God. He entrusts us with resources, time, abilities, and opportunities that we can use to strengthen others. Generosity expresses our love through practical care and our confidence in His faithful provision. This proverb does not guarantee financial prosperity. Rather, it encourages us to share willingly, knowing that God sees our needs and cares for us.

As Christmas approaches, we have opportunities as a church family to put this truth into practice.

Bowl of Blessings

Through our GCF South Metro Ministries Foundation, Inc. (GCFSMMFI), we aim to provide **200 spaghetti packs** to bless communities in **Las Piñas, Bacoor, and Tiaong,** as well as **persons deprived of liberty (PDLs) in Bilibid Prison.**

Our Bowl of Blessings initiative invites us to share the joy of giving and extend Christ's love through a simple, practical gift. The fundraising effort begins on **Sunday, November 22,** and spaghetti pack donations may be dropped off at the **GCFSMMFI Booth.**

I encourage our members, families, and Growth Groups to prayerfully consider participating. As we prepare for our own Christmas celebrations, let us also remember those whom we can bless. A simple gift, offered with love, can bring encouragement and provide an opportunity to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Please pray for those who will receive these gifts and for the ministry teams who will serve them. May our generosity help people experience Christian love and hear the good news of our Savior.

Preparing Volunteers to Serve Responsibly

Also on November 22, the Foundation will conduct a **Volunteer Orientation for selected volunteers from its current ministries and the Engaging Ministry.**

The orientation will cover the Safeguarding Policy, Volunteer Roles and Responsibilities, Data Privacy, and Code of Conduct. These topics will equip our volunteers to serve responsibly and help create safe, respectful, and supportive environments in the communities we serve.

Please pray that our volunteers will grow in wisdom, compassion, and faithfulness as they care for others.

Pray for Our Couples Crossroad Weekend

Linda and I are with the couples participating in our **Couples Crossroad Weekend, November 13–15,** themed **"Pursuing Renewal,"** anchored in **1 Peter 5:10.**

PARSON TO PERSON

Please pray that the God of all grace will renew our hearts, strengthen our marriages, and deepen our commitment to follow Jesus together. Pray that what we learn and resolve this weekend will be expressed in our daily lives through humility, forgiveness, patient listening, and loving service.

Bringing refreshment to others begins in our own homes. May our spouses and families experience the love and kindness that we desire to share with others.

December 6 – Twelve Baskets of Christmas

Please also prepare for our traditional **Twelve Baskets of Christmas on Sunday, December 6.** This is an opportunity to express our thanksgiving to God through a special Christmas offering beyond our regular giving.

Twelve baskets representing the twelve birth months will be placed in front of the stage. During a special segment of our worship services, we will be invited to place our offerings in the baskets corresponding to our birth months. I encourage every member and household to begin praying and setting aside an offering as the Lord enables.

Let us become people who bring blessing and refreshment wherever God places us. Whether we are strengthening our marriages, sharing a spaghetti pack, serving our communities, or giving to the Lord, may our actions express the love of Jesus Christ.

May we generously bless others, faithfully steward what God has entrusted to us, and confidently trust His continuing provision. ❋

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