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Supercoloring

Spend a little time studying this picture, colour it in if you would like to, making it as muted or vibrant as you wish.

After his resurrection Jesus joined Cleopas and another disciple walking to Emmaus but they did not recognise him. How would you feel if you failed to recognise a friend? Can you think of times when, with hindsight, you have recognised Jesus' presence with you? What made the difference?

Read the text below. Is God speaking to you through the words and the picture?

BIBLE READING: adapted from LUKE 13: 13 - 27

Two disciples were walking to the village of Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. As they talked about what had happened to Jesus, he joined them but their eyes were kept from recognising him. He asked "What are you talking about as you walk?" They stopped, looking sad. Then Cleopas answered, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know what has happened?" Jesus said, "What has happened?" They replied, " Jesus of Nazareth, was a prophet who spoke and did wonderful deeds before God but all the people, and our leaders tried and condemned him three days ago and he was crucified. We had hoped that he would free Israel. Then this morning some women went to the tomb and his body had gone. They came back saying angels told them he was alive. Some of the men went and came back with the same story. Then Jesus said, "Oh, how foolish you are, how slow to believe what the prophets have said! That the Messiah, the Son of God must suffer these things and then enter into his glory" As they walked on together, still not recognising him, Jesus explained to them what the scriptures said about himself.

PRAYER:

Lord, teach us to seek you, and show yourself to us as we seek; for we cannot seek you unless you teach us, nor find you unless you show yourself. May we seek you in longing for you, and long for you in seeking; may we find you in loving you, and love you in finding. (St Anselm)

YOUR NOTES:

We hope that you have enjoyed this exercise. Perhaps you could keep them to help with your discipleship. Please feel free to forward it to others. A new picture should go up each week and can be found on The Five Parishes website under Bible in Pictures.

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