April 26th The road to Emmaus Luke 24: 13-35

This week's Gospel reading tells the story of Jesus' appearance to some of his followers on the road to Emmaus. At first the travellers don't recognise Jesus, but after the long walk and discussion, Jesus blesses the bread and wine and is recognised.

Here are some ideas to help you think about this event and its meaning.

- Make a set of footprints from paper and arrange in a trail around your house or garden for your child to follow. Perhaps there will be some treasure at the end!
- Draw a landscape background on a piece of paper and colour it in. Make sure there is a road
 drawn across the lower edge of the paper. On a separate piece of paper, draw and colour
 three figures. Now cut these people out and stick to a craft stick or piece of card. Use a craft
 knife or scissors to cut a slice along the length of your drawn road. You can slide the people
 along the road through the sliced out section as if they are walking along the road.
- Road to Emmaus spinner. Cut out a circle from card. On one side draw two disciples, make sure you leave a space in between them. Draw Jesus in the middle of the other side. Attach wool or string to the left and right of the card circle. Hold the two ends of the string with the picture of the two disciples facing you. Ask a friend to wind your toy by turning the disc over and over until the string is twisted on itself. Ask your friend to let go. Gently pull on the two ends of the string so that it unwinds. As the disc spins the two pictures will appear as one and Jesus will be standing between the disciples.
- Use pictures of famous people or characters and see if your children can recognise them when only a small part of their face can be seen. Gradually reveal more until they are finally recognised.

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<u>Prayer</u>

Lord Jesus Christ,

you always meet us where we are, and you walk with us wherever we go. Be with us this week and help us to see you and meet you every day, and in every person we see.

Amen.