

## **Luke 24:33–49**

### ***“Fearful to Faithful, Part 2”***

#### **1. Praise (33–34)**

“The Lord has risen indeed.”

Faith is rooted in shared testimony, not private spirituality.

Silence is not an option.

The church is a gathering of witnesses, not spectators.

#### **2. Presence (35)**

The Lord’s presence brought peace.

The disciples were in a locked room due to fear.

He spoke peace before correcting them.

Jesus meets us in our struggle, but to pull us out of it.

Peace is not found in circumstances, but in His presence with us.

#### **3. Proof (38–43)**

Physical evidence: hands, feet, scars.

Faith is not blind, but rational.

Our hope is anchored in a real, risen Savior.

#### **4. Plan (44–46)**

#### **5. Purpose (47)**

#### **6. Personnel (48)**

“You are my witnesses.”

Peter, James, John, Andrew, Thomas, Philip, Nathanael, Matthew, James, Simon, Jude.

#### **7. Power (49)**

The Helper will come, so wait.

They were perfect candidates because not a single one could do it on their own power.

Could you imagine the difference in the atmosphere of this room now?

From fear to anticipation and expectation.

### ***Post-Resurrection, Post-Ascension, and the Coming of the Holy Spirit***

Their relationship with Jesus was anchored in the Word.

#### **Scripture guided their:**

##### **1. Planning (1:16)** (Psalm 69:25; Psalm 109:8)

They wanted their plans to align with God’s plan.

It wasn’t their story to write; it was His story, and they were to play their role.

Our lives are the same. It’s His story; we are to play our role.

##### **2. Preaching (2:16, 25, 34; 3:18, 22; 4:11)**

(Joel 2:28–32; Psalm 16:8–11; Psalm 110:1; Deut. 18; Psalm 118:22)

It was not their word, but His Word. They preached boldly from it.

##### **3. Prayers (4:24–28)** (Psalm 2)

#### **4. Perspective (4:29)**

#### **5. Perseverance**

Confidence in the Lord, power from the Spirit, and assurance of the Word produce bold people.

#### ***Small Group Discussion***

1. How did the Holy Spirit speak to you through the Scriptures and sermon on Sunday? What stood out to you? What questions do you have?
2. In what areas of your life are you most tempted to “write your own story” instead of seeking God’s plan? What would it look like practically to let Scripture guide your decisions?
3. The early believers spoke God’s Word boldly, not their own ideas. When you talk about your faith, do you tend to rely more on personal opinion or Scripture? Why do you think that is?
4. In Acts 4, they responded to opposition with Scripture-based prayer and a request for boldness. How do you respond when you face pressure, fear, or opposition—and how could your prayers shift to reflect greater trust in God’s sovereignty?
5. Confidence in the Lord, power from the Spirit, and assurance of the Word create bold people. Which of these areas do you feel weakest in right now, and what is one step you can take this week to grow in it?