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| Luke  24: 13-35  Selection C11  (Long Form) | **A Reading from the Holy Gospel According to Luke**  **Now that very day two of them were going to a village**  **seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus,**  **and they were conversing about all the things**  **that had occurred.**  **And it happened that while they were conversing**  **and debating, Jesus himself drew near**  **and walked with them, but their eyes**  **were prevented from recognizing him.**  **He asked them, “What are you discussing**  **as you walk along?”**  **They stopped, looking downcast.**  **One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply,**  **“Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem**  **who does not know of the things**  **that have taken place there in these days?”**  **And he replied to them, “What sort of things?”**  **They said to him, “The things**  **that happened to Jesus the Nazarene,**  **who was a prophet mighty in deed and word**  **before God and all the people, how our chief priests**  **and rulers both handed him over**  ***Continued on the Next Page***  **to a sentence of death and crucified him.**  **But we were hoping**  **that he would be the one to redeem Israel;**  **and besides all this,**  **it is now the third day since this took place.**  **Some women from our group, however,**  **have astounded us:**  **they were at the tomb early in the morning**  **and did not find his body;**  **they came back and reported**  **that they had indeed seen a vision of angels**  **who announced that he was alive.**  **Then some of those with us went to the tomb**  **and found things just as the women had described,**  **but him they did not see.”**  **And he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are!**  **How slow of heart to believe all**  **that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary**  **that the Messiah should suffer these things**  **and enter into his glory?”**  **Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets,**  **he interpreted to them what referred to him**  **in all the scriptures.**  ***Continued on the Next Page***  **As they approached the village**  **to which they were going, he gave the impression**  **that he was going on farther.**  **But they urged him, “Stay with us,**  **for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over.”**  **So he went in to stay with them.**  **And it happened that, while he was with them at table,**  **he took bread, said the blessing, broke it,**  **and gave it to them.**  **With that their eyes were opened and they**  **recognized him, but he vanished from their sight.**  **Then they said to each other, “Were not our hearts**  **burning within us while he spoke to us on the way**  **and opened the scriptures to us?”**  **So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem**  **where they found gathered together the eleven**  **and those with them who were saying,**  **“The Lord has truly been raised**  **and has appeared to Simon!”**  **Then the two recounted what had taken place**  **on the way and how he was made known to them**  **in the breaking of the bread.**  **The Gospel of the Lord** |