

Making New Disciples

The Emmaus Journey

drawing near ...	While they were talking Jesus himself came near... <i>Luke 24.15</i>	... and went with them <i>Luke 24.15</i>	... to walk alongside
enquiring ...	he said to them, "what are you discussing as you walk along?" <i>Luke 24.17</i>	"but we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel" <i>Luke 24.21</i>	... and listening
telling the story ...	beginning with Moses, and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures <i>Luke 24.27</i>	"Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road?" <i>Luke 24.32</i>	... the light of hope
hospitality ...	they urged him strongly, stay with us because the day is almost over <i>Luke 24.29</i>	When he was at table with them, he took bread, blessed it and broke it, and gave it to them. <i>Luke 24.30</i>	... and companionship
realisation ...	Then their eyes were opened and they recognised him <i>Luke 24.31</i>	and he vanished from their sight. <i>Luke 24.31</i>	... and faith
a community of joy ...	That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem <i>Luke 24.33</i>	They told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread <i>Luke 24.35</i>	... and witness

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Three Journeys

An invitation to reflect on the three themes that Bishop Alan has invited the Diocese of St Albans to engage with.

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Each of these reflections has an accompanying PowerPoint¹ and is based around a journey described in the bible. The reflections seek to draw out something of the journey and key aspects of it.

You are invited to consider how these three journeys are, or could be, also our journey. It is also helpful to note some of the common strands to each journey. Use these to think and pray, to discuss and share and to *go deeper into God*, to work together to *transform communities* and to *make new disciples*.

¹ These are downloadable from the Diocesan website at http://www.livinggodsllove.org/living_gods_love/introducing_living_gods_love/the_three_themes/

Going Deeper into God

Elijah's Journey

after success the fire of the Lord fell. The people fell on their faces and said, 'The Lord indeed is God'. <i>1 Kings 18.38,39</i>	Jezebel said "so may the gods do to me if I do not make your life like the life of one of them". <i>1 Kings 19.2</i>	... threat
flight ...	Elijah was afraid, he got up and fled for his life. <i>1 Kings 19.3</i>	he went into the wilderness and sat down under a solitary broom tree and asked that he might die <i>1 Kings 19.4</i>	... and despair
rest ...	an angel touched him and said 'Get up and eat' he ate and drank and lay down again. <i>1 Kings 19.5,6</i>	he went in the strength of that food for forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. <i>1 Kings 19.8</i>	... for the journey
complaining ...	I alone am left <i>1 Kings 19.10</i>	Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord for the Lord is about to pass by <i>1 Kings 19.11</i>	...then waiting
watching ...	the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. <i>1 Kings 19.11,12</i>	and after the fire a sound of sheer silence <i>1 Kings 19.12</i>	... and listening
returning ...	Go, return on your way ... anoint Hazael, Jehu and Elisha ... seven thousand, that have not bowed to Baal <i>1 Kings 19.18</i>	So he set out from there, and found Elisha <i>1 Kings 19.19</i>	... to partnership

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Transforming Communities

The Disciples' Journey

called ...	the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him <i>Luke 10.1</i>	he sent them on in pairs to every town where he himself intended to go <i>Luke 10.1</i>	... to partnership
to work ...	the harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few <i>Luke 10.2</i>	Go on your way <i>Luke 10.3</i>	... and journey
with integrity ...	I am sending you out like lambs ... <i>Luke 10.3</i>	... like lambs into the midst of wolves <i>Luke 10.3</i>	... amidst risk
in vulnerability ...	Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals <i>Luke 10.4</i>	whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house" <i>Luke 10.5</i>	... to bring peace
through dependence ...	remain in the same house eating and drinking whatever they provide. <i>Luke 10.7</i>	do not move about from house to house <i>Luke 10.7</i>	... and commitment
to be a transforming ...	cure the sick who are there <i>Luke 10.9</i>	and say to them, "the Kingdom of God has come near you". <i>Luke 10.9</i>	... presence

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