

## Our Triumphant Savior

### Lesson XII – Luke 23:1–24:53

#### **Review:**

- Jesus Observes Church Contributions (21:1–4)
- Times of Great Tribulation (21:5–19)
- Reading the Signs (21:20–27)
- Watch and Pray! (21:28–38)
- The Last Supper (22:1–20)
- Christ's Last Warnings and Admonitions (22:21–38)
- Gethsemane (22:39–53)
- Insulted by Friend and Foe (22:54–71)



#### **Theme Verse:**

While He blessed them, He parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped Him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God. **Luke 22:19–20**

#### **Bible Study:**

##### **“Suffered under Pontius Pilate”**

Read Luke 23:1–25

1. How were the charges against Jesus false (vv. 2, 5; see also Matthew 22:21; 27:18; John 6:15; 18:36)?
2. How does the example of Pilate prove that it is wrong to shirk one's responsibility? to compromise? to put personal interests before duty?

##### **“Crucified”**

Read Luke 23:26–43

1. Why was it a great honor and blessing for Simon to bear the cross of Jesus? What should be our attitude to cross bearing? Why?
2. Why are tears of repentance more pleasing to Jesus than pity for Him? What does His suffering teach us about sin? Explain verse 31.

## **“Dead and Buried”**

Read Luke 23:44–56

1. What miraculous events took place on Calvary? What lessons do these events teach us?
2. What significance does the death and burial of Jesus have for us?

## **“The Third Day He Rose Again from the Dead”**

Read Luke 24:1–12

1. What value would our faith have if Jesus had remained in the grave (see 1 Corinthians 15:14–20)? Why is it important that we believe the Easter Gospel?
2. Mention several proofs of Christ’s resurrection. Explain their value. Of what significance is Christ’s resurrection for us?

## **On the Road to Emmaus**

Read Luke 24:13–35

1. What are the only means by which God brings a person to faith?
2. How did Jesus show that the Old Testament has great value for us?

## **The Last Visible Appearances of Jesus**

Read Luke 24:36–49

1. What appearances of Jesus are mentioned in John 20 and 21? in 1 Corinthians 15:5–8?
2. How do we know that Christ’s resurrected body is the same body that died on the cross? In what respect is it different? What does this teach us about the nature of our bodies after our resurrection (Philippians 3:21)?

### **“Ascended into Heaven”**

Read Luke 24:50–53

1. How was Christ’s ascension foretold in the Old Testament (Psalm 47:5–8; 68:18)? How was His ascension typified in 2 Kings 2:11?
2. Why do we call Ascension Day the coronation day of Jesus? Why is it a day of rejoicing among Christians? How can we observe this festival?

### **Closing:**

- Ponder Christ’s crucifixion and resurrection with the hymns “Jesus, I Will Ponder Now” (LW 109/LSB 440) and “He’s Risen, He’s Risen” (LW 138/LSB 480).
- Enabled by the Holy Spirit, resolve to share the Good News with “all nations”: your family members, friends, neighbors, and others who do not yet know Jesus Christ.
- Remember the stories of Luke, especially that Jesus came to seek and save the lost (Luke 19:10).