

# **From Doubt to Divine Understanding**

***Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures — Luke 24:45***

## **Sermon Questions**

1. In each resurrection appearance, it is the \_\_\_\_\_ that leads to faith.
2. People are naturally inclined to believe in physical resurrection. (True/False)
3. Unbelief is a problem of the heart rather than evidence. (True/False)
4. Jesus' resurrection body is the same body that \_\_\_\_\_ on the cross.
5. Scripture progresses or culminates until \_\_\_\_\_ comes clearly into focus.
6. To have one's mind opened to understand the Scriptures is called \_\_\_\_\_.
7. The world's "enlightenment" leads to \_\_\_\_\_ rather than light.
8. The Latin phrase "post tenebras lux" means \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The Scriptures are needed to overcome ignorance; illumination is needed to overcome corruption and unbelief. (True/False)
10. List at least two passages of Scripture that speak of the illuminating work of God:  
\_\_\_\_\_
11. List the three applications given:
  - i. To those who \_\_\_\_\_, take up and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - ii. To those who \_\_\_\_\_ but lack understanding, \_\_\_\_\_ divine grace.
  - iii. To those who \_\_\_\_\_, be filled with \_\_\_\_\_ and worship.

## Discussion/Meditation Questions

1. Jesus opened the disciples' minds to understand the Scriptures, showing how they point to his suffering and resurrection. How has studying the Bible helped you make sense of life's events or experiences? Are there areas of life that don't seem to fit what Scripture teaches?
2. The sermon contrasts the world's view of "open-mindedness" (often rooted in naturalism) with biblical enlightenment through God's Spirit and Word. How have you encountered or observed this worldly mindset, and how can we lovingly challenge it when sharing our faith?
3. For those who believe, the sermon calls for a response of joy, worship, and blessing God (Luke 24:52-53). How can we cultivate a lifestyle of marveling at Christ's resurrection and expressing gratitude for God's revelation in our daily lives?
4. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon? Share this with another brother or sister in the fellowship.