

## **DINNER TABLE & LIFEGROUP LEADERS' DISCUSSION REVIEW**

1. Read Luke 24:1-12 out loud. Have you ever had to deal with the death of a close friend or relative? Keeping the experience of the death of a close relative or friend in mind, look at vs. 1-5, and put yourself in these women's shoes. Read Lk. 8:1-3...how has Jesus' death affected them?
  
2. What do you imagine the women were talking about on the way to the tomb? What may have gone through their minds when they found the body missing? What might they have thought or felt when two men "in dazzling clothes" joined them in the tomb? How do you think they reacted to the men's initial appearance?
  
3. The strange men explain things more fully in verses 6-8. What does Luke mean by "then they remembered his words" (verse 8)? What had caused the women to forget Jesus' words? What helps them remember and believe now?
  
4. In verses 9-11, the women return to the apostles to share what they had seen and heard. What does the apostles' response tell us about how the apostles have regarded Jesus' words?
  
5. Do you believe Jesus' promises? When you encounter words of Jesus that are difficult to believe, how do you respond?...forget them, as the women did initially...believe, act and bear witness as the women did after their encounter with the messengers...disregard them as ten of the apostles did...insist on finding out for yourself as Peter did? What things block you from believing Jesus' words? Will you act on them? What are some of the more radical statements Jesus made that you find hard to believe/accept/obey?