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# EYE OPENERS

Several times in the New Testament, Christ followers completely “missed” Jesus, even as He walked among them. They mistook Him for a ghost, a gardener, a fellow traveler, and a fisherman. Why? What made these believers blind to Jesus—and what finally opened their eyes so they could see Him clearly?



## THIS WEEK'S DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Read Matthew 14:22–33. Why did the disciples “miss” Jesus as He came to them on the water? Have you ever “missed” Jesus’s attempt to connect with you?
- In Luke 24:13–35 the two disciples on the road to Emmaus didn’t recognize Jesus as He walked with them. Why? What event finally caused them to realize who He was? How does He want to open your heart to His presence in your everyday living?
- Read Luke 24:36–49. Why were the disciples frightened of Jesus as He appeared to them in the room? If you’d been in the room, what would your response have been?
- In John 21:1–14 Jesus reveals himself to Peter and six other disciples as they are fishing. How does seeing Jesus change their lives? How does recognizing Jesus’s presence in your day change the way you live?



## CHALLENGE

We sometimes miss Jesus when He comes into our day for several reasons:

He comes unexpectedly.  
Our emotions get in the way.  
Our theology can’t make sense of His work in our lives.  
God’s timing isn’t ours.

Which of these reasons do you struggle with the most? How has this week’s series opened your eyes to see Jesus?



## COMMIT TO MEMORY

“Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid ” (Matthew 14:27).



## PRAYER

Dear God, I want to see Jesus. Open my eyes to His presence in my every day.