April 20, 2025 am Resurrection Celebration

Sunday is a Comin' S.M. Lockridge:

It's Friday Jesus is praying Peter's a sleeping Judas is betraying But Sunday's comin'

It's Friday Pilate's struggling
The council is conspiring The crowd is vilifying
They don't even know That Sunday's comin'

It's Friday The disciples are running
Like sheep without a shepherd
Mary's crying Peter is denying
But they don't know That Sunday's a comin'

It's Friday The Romans beat my Jesus
They robe him in scarlet
They crown him with thorns
But they don't know That Sunday's comin'

It's Friday See Jesus walking to Calvary
His blood dripping His body stumbling
And his spirit's burdened
But you see, it's only Friday Sunday's comin'

It's Friday The world's winning People are sinning And evil's grinning

It's Friday The soldiers nail my Savior's hands To the cross They nail my Savior's feet To the cross
And then they raise him up Next to criminals

The disciples are questioning
What has happened to their King
And the Pharisees are celebrating
That their scheming Has been achieved
But they don't know It's only Friday
Sunday's comin'

It's Friday He's hanging on the cross Feeling forsaken by his Father Left alone and dying Can nobody save him? The earth trembles The sky grows dark My King yields his spirit

It's Friday Hope is lost
Death has won
Sin has conquered
and Satan's just a laughin'
Jesus is buried
A soldier stands guard
And a rock is rolled into place

But it's Friday It is only Friday Sunday is a comin'!

LUKE 24:13-34... The Emmaus Road

From Fear to Faith From Confusion to Clarity
From Futility to Fulfillment

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¹³Now that same day two of them were on their way to a village called Emmaus, which was about seven miles [c] from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ Together they were discussing everything that had taken place. ¹⁵ And while they were discussing and arguing, Jesus himself came near and began to walk along with them. ¹⁶ But they^[d] were prevented from recognizing him. 17 Then he asked them, "What is this dispute that you're having [e] with each other as you are walking?" And they stopped walking and looked discouraged. ¹⁸ The one named Cleopas answered him, "Are you the only visitor in Jerusalem who doesn't know the things that happened there in these days?" 19 "What things?" he asked them. So they said to him, "The things concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet powerful in action and speech before God and all the people, ²⁰ and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him. ²¹ But we were hoping that he was the one who was about to redeem Israel. Besides all this, it's the third day since these things happened. ²² Moreover, some women from our group astounded us. They arrived early at the tomb, ²³ and when they didn't find his body, they came and reported that they had seen a vision of angels who said he was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they didn't see him." 25 He said to them, "How foolish and slow[f] you are to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Wasn't it necessary for the Messiah to suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷ Then beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted for them the things concerning himself in all the Scriptures. ²⁸ They came near the village where they were going, and he gave the impression that he was going farther. ²⁹ But they

urged him, "Stay with us, because it's almost evening, and now the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰ It was as he reclined at the table with them that he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, but he disappeared from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Weren't our hearts burning within us while he was talking with us on the road and explaining the Scriptures to us?" ³³ That very hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem. They found the Eleven and those with them gathered together, ³⁴ who said, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they began to describe what had happened on the road and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

invitation SONG: Open Our Eyes, Lord, We Want to See Jesus

The Story of Cleopas and his journey on the Emmaus Road. Story adapted from Preaching Eyes for Listening Ears. By J. Will Ormand. CSS Publishing Co. Lima, Ohio. P.91-96. It is copyrighted so I cannot print it out. But you can watch the online video presentation at

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Resurrection Transformation

From Fear to Faith (John 20:19-23)

¹⁹ In the evening of that first day of the week, the disciples were gathered together with the doors locked because of their fear of the Jews. Then Jesus came, stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ²⁰ Having said this, He showed them His hands and His side. So the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." ²² After saying this, He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

From Confusion to Clarity (John 20:26-28)

²⁴ But one of the Twelve, Thomas (called "Twin"), was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples kept telling him, "We have seen the Lord! "But he said to them, "If I don't see the mark of the nails in His hands, put my finger into the mark of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will never believe!" ²⁶ After eight days His disciples were indoors again, and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them. He said, "Peace to you!"²⁷ Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and observe My hands. Reach out your hand and put it into My side. Don't be an unbeliever, but a believer."²⁸ Thomas responded to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

From Futility to Fulfillment (John 21:15-19)

¹⁵ When they had eaten breakfast, Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?" "Yes, Lord," he said to Him, "You know that I love You." "Feed My lambs," He told him. ¹⁶ A second time He asked him, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" "Yes, Lord," he said to Him, "You know that I love You." "Shepherd My sheep," He told him. ¹⁷ He asked him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved that He asked him the third time, "Do you love Me?" He said, "Lord, You know everything! You know that I love You." "Feed My sheep," Jesus said. 18 "I assure you: When you were young, you would tie your belt and walk wherever you wanted. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will tie you and carry you where you don't want to go." ¹⁹ He said this to signify by what kind of death he would have.