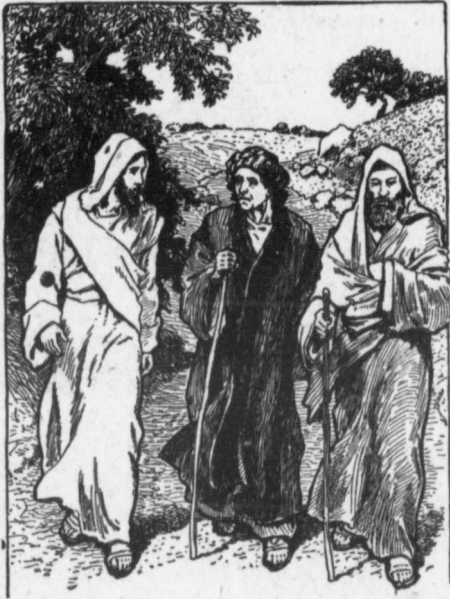


EASTER LESSON

Luke 24: 13-35



It was Easter Day, the very first Easter Day, and along a road going to the city of Emmaus from Jerusalem were two men talking sadly together. Their dear Friend and Master, Jesus, had been put to death by the cruel leaders, and there had been terrible days for them all. That morning some women had gone to Jesus' rocky tomb and had found the great stone rolled away. They said that an

angel in the tomb had told them that Jesus was risen. But these two sad friends could not believe it.

As they talked, a Stranger met them, and as he walked on with them he asked them why they were so sad. They were so full of trouble that they did not notice that the Stranger was their own dear Jesus himself. They walked on and on, listening to his wise and wonderful words without knowing him.

When they drew near to their town at last, it was nearly night and they begged the Stranger to come home with them. This he did, and when they sat down to eat, and he blessed the bread at the table, suddenly they knew him! But just as suddenly he vanished.