



# For The Better

## Change of Direction

### Key Scripture

Ephesians 4:23 TLB

Now your attitudes and thoughts must all be constantly changing for the better.

### The Same Old Road

Luke 24:13-21 CEV

13 That same day two of Jesus' disciples were going to the village of Emmaus, which was about seven miles from Jerusalem. 14 **As they were talking and thinking about what had happened**, 15 Jesus came near and started walking along beside them.

16 But they did not know who he was.

17 Jesus asked them, "**What were you talking about as you walked along?**"

**The two of them stood there looking sad and gloomy.** 18 Then the one named Cleopas asked Jesus, "Are you the only person from Jerusalem who didn't know what was happening there these last few days?" 19 "**What do you mean?**" Jesus asked.

They answered: Those things that happened to Jesus from Nazareth. By what he did and said he showed that he was a powerful prophet, who pleased God and all the people.

20 Then the chief priests and our leaders had him arrested and sentenced to die on a cross. 21 We had hoped that he would be the one to set Israel free!

But it has already been three days since all this happened.

### Change Your Thoughts...Change Your Life

Luke 24:25-26 ERV

25 Then Jesus said to the two men, "**You are foolish and slow to realize what is true. You should believe everything the prophets said.** 26 The prophets said the Christ must suffer these things before He begins His time of glory."

- ✓ **Past Experiences**
- ✓ **Taught behavior**
- ✓ **Believing a lie.**

**The life we lead is directed by the thoughts we believe.**

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### Change your direction...

#### 1. **Repetition** determines your direction.

Deuteronomy 6:7 NLT

Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up.

#### 2. **When in doubt - Reroute.**

Luke 24:32-33 NKJV

32 And they said to one another, "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?"

33 So they rose up that very hour and returned to Jerusalem,

#### 3. **Repave** what you want to be saved.

Romans 12:2 NIV

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — His good, pleasing and perfect will.

Luke 24:27 TLB

Then Jesus quoted them passage after passage from the writings of the prophets, beginning with the book of Genesis and going right on through the Scriptures, explaining what the passages meant and what they said about Himself.

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