

The Road to Emmaus

Grades 1-2

The Breaking of the Bread Spread

Kids illustrate an imaginary meal as they remember that Jesus is always with us and can be right in our midst without our knowing it.

Spark Resources:

- None

Supplies:

- Markers and crayons
- Plain paper

Set Up:

Place materials in a central location.

Instructions:

Not long after Jesus died, two men met a stranger on the road and invited him to dinner. On the way to dinner, they talked about Jesus, and the stranger told the two men that Jesus was alive. Later, when the stranger broke bread at dinner, the men realized that it was Jesus who had been with them all along! Today, I want to see what you think that meal might have looked like. Or if you want, I'd like you to imagine a meal that you would serve for Jesus if you were travelling with him.

1. Invite kids to take a moment to imagine the meal Cleopas and his friend shared with Jesus, or to think about what they might serve Jesus if they could give him a special meal.
2. Allow kids to take as much time as they like to draw a picture of the meal they've imagined.
3. When kids are satisfied with their drawings, encourage them to take turns sharing with the class.

These drawings are true masterpieces. I hope you'll put yours somewhere special in your home. Whenever you see it, you can remember that Jesus is always with us and can be right in our midst without our knowing it.

If you have less time . . .

Have kids draw one main course or side dish for the Emmaus meal, leaving out tables, people, and other elements of a scene.

If you have more time . . .

Ask each kid to write a short description or essay to go with his or her picture.