



Meditation #7

Pentecost 2009

In Celebration of the Spirit:
Stretching Out in Expectation of the Overflow!
Acts 2

The Jesus of Map Quest: Handling the Twists and Turns of Life

**“And, behold, the two of them went that same day to a village called
Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs.”**

Luke 24:13

We do not always arrive directly to God’s destination for us. Our arrival into new seasons, purposed places, and ordained positions, are often preceded by twists and turns in our journeys which we did not expect, predict, or fully understand.

Two of Christ’s followers witnessed his crucifixion and fell prey to the trauma of Friday. They couldn’t get past the unthinkable event of a crucified Jesus. The One they had placed their hopes in had met with failure Himself. They decided to go to Emmaus, for whatever reason, as they supported one another’s pity and disappointment.

What or who was in Emmaus? The text does not reveal. And maybe this is by design. Because no matter who or what is in Emmaus, it is not a village they were directed to go. Yet they went. But isn’t it interesting who shows up along the journey?

We never escape the eye and concern of Jesus no matter where we travel. The back roads to small, obscure, unknown, or lonely places do not prevent Jesus from showing up. Jesus can find you! He knows the geography and pathway of every dark side, every low place, every cloudy region, and every chaotic path you take. Jesus can handle the twists and turns of your journey. Can you?

When it seems you can’t. He shows up to make Himself known. His comfort and guidance sees us through. You are never too far away, never in too troubled a condition, never in too deep a hole, never in too tight a spot, that Jesus can’t locate you and pull you through!

Pray this:

**“Jesus of all places and all times, grant me the grace of your presence in my times
of twists and turns. Gently pull me through to your special place and blessing for
me. Thank you Jesus that your love always finds me.”**

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