Words after the Cross A Word for those with a Shattered Hope Luke 24:13-27

Question: Where can we find hope when the world we know has fallen apart?

I. The Set Up – A Walk to Remember (13-19a)

II. The Shattered Hope – "but we had hoped" (19b-24)

"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: 'I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate.'... Jews demand miraculous signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified a stumbling block to the Jews and foolishness to the Gentiles but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and wisdom of God." (portions of I Cor. 1:18-24)

III. The Story that Provides Perspective – "all the scriptures" (25-27)

"Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away... 'Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them...He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.' He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!'" (portions of Rev. 21:1-5)

Point to Ponder: Where is my hope found?

Next Week: Next Sunday we will continue our sermon series titled *Words after the Cross*, by considering **Acts 1:6-9** 'A Word for the Uncertain'

