Reader: The same day that Jesus rose from the dead, two of his disciples were on their way to a village called Emmaus. While they were talking, Jesus began to walk along with them. But something kept them from recognizing him.

Jesus: What are you talking about as you walk along, looking so sad?

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**Disciple:** It is nearly evening and the day is almost over.

**Reader:** So Jesus went in to stay with them. Now, while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing. Then he broke it and handed it to them. Suddenly their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus. But at that moment, Jesus disappeared. They said to each other:

**Cleopas and Disciple:** Were not our hearts burning within us as he talked to us?

**Reader:** The two disciples set out right away and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the apostles, who said to them:

**Apostles:** Yes, it is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon Peter!

**Reader:** Then the two disciples told what had happened on the road and how they only recognized Jesus when he broke the bread.