Confidence to proclaim (Luke 24:36-53)



← So if we think we're not like him, can we still share the gospel with confidence?

At the end of Luke's Gospel, Jesus offers us 3 big encouragements:

1. A sure footing (v.36-43)

The one person I do not expect to see

The reactions I completely expect to see

Two reassurances:

- i. v.39-40
- ii. v.41-43

What Jesus is really doing

"That Jesus' followers (and later Paul) had [experiences of seeing Jesus alive] is, in my judgement, a fact. What the reality was that gave rise to the experiences I do not know." – Ed Sanders, Duke University

Why can we share the gospel with confidence? Because it's actually T___! 2. A fulfilling story (v.44-48) Why Jesus decides to tell his disciples *a story*

What is the Bible?

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We really do have a fulfilling story to share! ...but the story isn't over yet (v.47)

3. A blessed gift (v.49-53)

Jesus says: Don't worry, I'm not leaving you alone

One thing we still need to do

The priestly benediction