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Billings Walk To Emmaus

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Comments from our New 4th Dayers

Men's W2E #82

I had a wonderful 3 days at the Walk, I so appreciate the whole process and program. I'm willing to help wherever I can to spread God's word. I'm looking forward to the future. I feel so blessed.

Thank you for creating a team that provided an extraordinary understanding of God's Grace. I'm so grateful for all aspects of the weekend.

The outside world did not change one bit. I will look fondly on this weekend for many years to come. The reinforcement of the principles of our discipleship in Christ's Grace and Love were a great way to set my new year off in the right direction. Now I just need to get my men's group to the Walk!

I know the hits will keep coming, so I will keep going to my group and keep the ball rolling. I know all the Glory goes to God; however, God can't work through people unless they allow Him in. I really appreciate all the Walk does and hope to be part of it next year.

What a refreshing and refueling weekend it was! While I'm still processing the weekend, here's what I will say emphatically...if you have not made the Walk to Emmaus, you probably should. I'm going to encourage you to read Luke 24:13-35. I will also forewarn you that sometime later this year, you might be asked to Before you dismiss that invitation out of hand... consider attending the Walk. Before you decide that you don't need a weekend without contact with the "real" world... Before you think that the Walk is for folks who don't believe... Before you jump to the conclusion that the Walk is for immature believers... Before you come up with any excuse to turn down the invitation...Prayerfully consider what it might be like to take a walk with Jesus. What might it be like to walk with Jesus with no distractions from phone calls or emails or text messages? What would it look like to not hear the "notification" bell while you are trying to listen to the Holy Spirit? I will not pressure anyone to attend the Walk, but know that I am already praying for you! Don't be surprised if someone invites you to a weekend journey that will change your life, reinvigorate your faith, and recalibrate your spiritual compass.

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SPIRITUAL THOUGHTS

Nothing wars against our sense of joy like the word "more."

Bamboo grows four inches the first three years and eighteen feet in year four.

We are continually challenged to change our lives to fit the truth rather than changing the truth to fit our lives.

The only way to understand the part of the Bible you don't understand is to obey the part that you do understand.

Christians do not love each other because of their great qualities, but in spite of their bad qualities.

The chains of habits are generally too small to be felt until they are too strong to be broken.

Sometimes God's best judgement is to let us have our own way.

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Women's W2E #83

"A little glimpse of Heaven. Time doesn't matter. Needs are met. Surrounded by angels. Basking in God's love. A beautiful experience."

"It wasn't as scary as I thought it would be. I learned that God works in life in so many ways. I enjoyed meeting my sisters and I now have an extended family that I can call on for prayers. It was a beautiful experience."

"It took over 15 years to hear my calling to the Walk. This is truly a beautiful experience. The love that is poured into the whole weekend...AMAZING!! God's love is overflowing."

"It was absolutely amazing and the most life-changing weekend. It was beyond anything I could have possibly imagined."

"Such a beautiful and uplifting experience. A journey filled with an amazing amount of love and understanding. Very grateful and blessed to be a part of it."

"I came to a Walk to Emmaus to find my joy and peace after trauma, loss and grief. I found grace and love through God. This weekend was absolutely amazing."

"My experience was like water to the desert - just what I needed to restore my hardened heart. I look forward to growing closer to the Lord with my new sisters."

"In one of the first talks I heard the words 'Chorus of Colors.' This weekend was a beautiful 'Chorus of Colors' the singing, talks, communion, Christmas, Easter, the cross, the burning of our 'sins.' I feel so blessed, encouraged and ready to be a better servant of God."

BIBLE TRIVIA

(All about food)

- 1. What did Ezekiel's scroll taste like?
 Hint: Ezekiel 3:3
- 2. What judge of Israel prepared a delicious meal for an angel? Hint: Judges 6:19
- 3. Where did the Hebrews feast on cucumbers, melons, leeks, onions, and garlic?

Hint: Numbers 11:4-5

- 4. Who ate honey out of a lion's carcass?
 Hint: Judges 14:8-10
- 5. What prophet made deadly stew edible again?

Hint: 2 Kings 4:38-41

A Prayer for Lenten Grace

Loving God,

During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you. Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life.

Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity.

Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul, remind me of the grace and simplicity.

May this season be grace-filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you.

Amen.

Did You Know?



It is estimated that over a half a million persons have experienced a Walk to Emmaus weekend and today the Movement counts more than 300 communities distributed all over the United States as well as in Australia, Barbados, Brazil, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, England, Estonia, Germany, Ghana, Hong Kong, India, Jamaica, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Puerto Rico, Saint Vincent, Singapore, South Africa, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland and Trinidad and Tobago.