



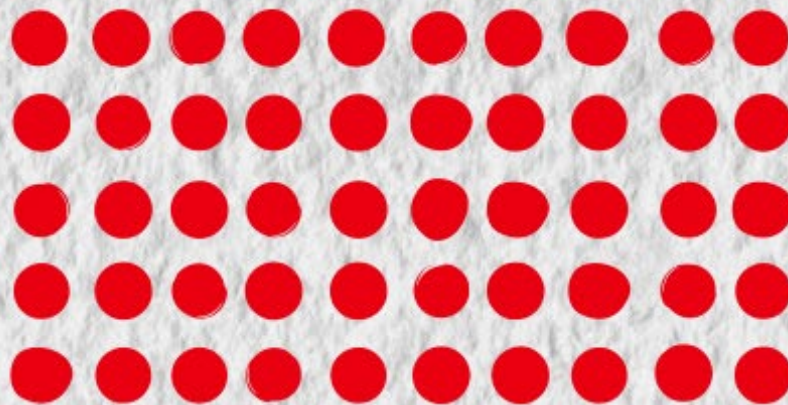
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# “RED LETTER”

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# J E S U S



A 50 day life changing experience



## Overview

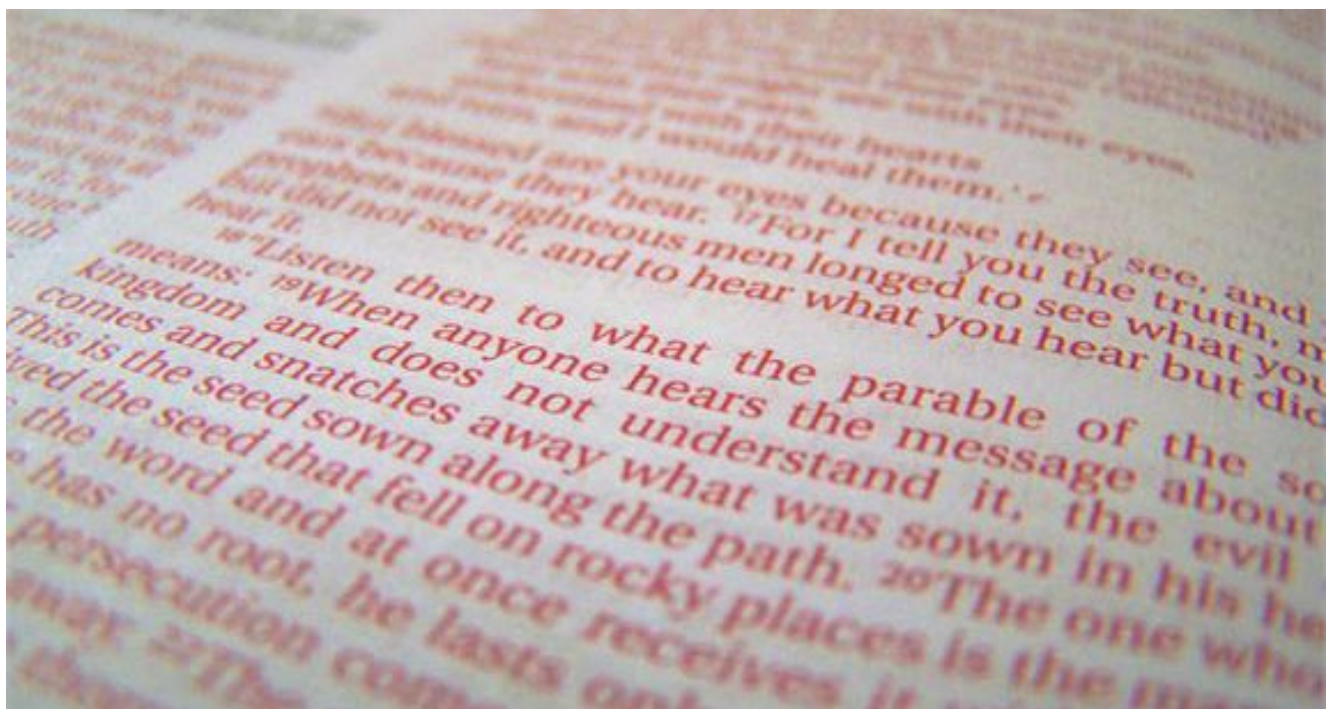
When the women discover the empty tomb that first Easter morning, two men wearing clothes like lightning encourage them to remember Jesus' words (Luke 24:6,8).

Two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside the women. <sup>5</sup> ...The men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup> He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: <sup>7</sup> **'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'**" <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words. (Luke 24:4-8)

Do you remember Jesus' words? Do you know what he said?

Some Bibles, known as "red letter Bibles," print Jesus' words in red to help them to stand out. During the 50-day period between Easter and Pentecost, you are challenged to remember Jesus' words as we read the "red letters" in the Gospel of Luke. Each day we'll focus on just a sentence or two of Jesus' speech. The same set of reflection questions are provided each week for you to dig deeper as you hear Jesus speak to you.

You can also follow along on social media, with daily prompts! Find us on Facebook or Instagram: @ImmanuelChurchAU.





## Jesus is raised (Luke 24:1-12)

Day 1  
9 Apr

“The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.” Then they remembered his words. (Luke 24:7-8)

Luke 24:1-12

## The ministry of Jesus in Galilee (Luke 4:14-9:50)

Day 2  
10 Apr

“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners, and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour. ... Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” (Luke 4:18-19,21)

Luke 4:14-21

Day 3  
11 Apr

Jesus said sternly to the demon, “Be quiet! Come out of him!” All the people were amazed and said to each other, ‘What words these are! With authority and power he gives orders.’ (Luke 4:35-36)

Luke 4:31-37

Day 4  
12 Apr

“I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent.” (Luke 4:43)

Luke 4:38-44

Day 5  
13 Apr

“Put out into deep water, and let down the nets for a catch. ... Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.” (Luke 5:4,10)

Luke 5:1-11

Day 6  
14 Apr

“I am willing. Be clean!” (Luke 5:13)

Luke 5:12-16

Day 7  
15 Apr

“Friend, your sins are forgiven. ... I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” (Luke 5:20,22-24)

Luke 5:17-26





Day 8  
16 Apr

“It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.” (Luke 5:31-32)

Luke 5:27-32

Day 9  
17 Apr

“I ask you, which is lawful on the Sabbath: to do good or to do evil, to save life or to destroy it?” (Luke 6:9)

Luke 6:6-11

Day 10  
18 Apr

“Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ... But woe to you who are rich, for you have already received your comfort.” (Luke 6:20,24)

Luke 6:17-26

Day 11  
19 Apr

“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. Each tree is recognized by its own fruit.” (Luke 6:43-44)

Luke 6:43-45

Day 12  
20 Apr

“They are like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete.” (Luke 6:48-49)

Luke 6:46-49

Day 13  
21 Apr

“Go back and report to John what you have seen and heard: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is proclaimed to the poor.” (Luke 7:22)

Luke 7:18-23

Day 14  
22 Apr

“The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and you say, ‘Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.’ But wisdom is proved right by all her children.” (Luke 7:22)

Luke 7:36-50



Day 15  
23 Apr

“Two people owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he forgave the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more? ... Whoever has been forgiven little loves little.” (Luke 7:41-42,47)

Luke 7:36-50

Day 16  
24 Apr

“A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path ... Some fell on rocky ground ... Other seed fell among thorns.... Still other seed fell on good soil ...” (Luke 8:5-8)

Luke 8:1-15

Day 17  
25 Apr

“No one lights a lamp and hides it in a clay jar or puts it under a bed. Instead, they put it on a stand, so that those who come in can see the light.” (Luke 8:16)

Luke 8:16-18

Day 18  
26 Apr

“Who touched me? ... Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me. ... Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace.” (Luke 8:45-46,48)

Luke 8:42b-48

Day 19  
27 Apr

“Take nothing for the journey — no staff, no bag, no bread, no money, no extra shirt. Whatever house you enter, stay there until you leave that town” (Luke 9:3-4)

Luke 9:1-6

Day 20  
28 Apr

“You give them something to eat.” (Luke 9:13)

Luke 9:10-17

Day 21  
29 Apr

“Who do the crowds say I am? ... But what about you? Who do you say I am?” (Luke 9:18,20)

Luke 9:18-20





Day 22  
30 Apr

“Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it.” (Luke 9:23-24)

Luke 9:21-27

## Jesus turns toward Jerusalem (Luke 9:51-13:21)

Day 23  
1 May

“The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. Go, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves.” (Luke 10:2-3)

Luke 10:1-4

Day 24  
2 May

“When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’ ... When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ ” (Luke 10:5,8-9)

Luke 10:5-11

Day 25  
3 May

“Martha, Martha, you are worried and upset about many things, but few things are needed — or indeed only one.” (Luke 10:41-42)

Luke 10:38-42

Day 26  
4 May

“When you pray, say: ‘Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come.’ ” (Luke 11:2)

Luke 11:1-4

Day 27  
5 May

“Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ... Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? ... If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him.” (Luke 11:9,11,13)

Luke 11:9-13

Day 28  
6 May

“I tell you, whoever publicly acknowledges me before others, the Son of Man will also acknowledge before the angels of God.” (Luke 12:8)

Luke 12:1-12



Day 29  
7 May

“Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.” (Luke 12:15)

Luke 12:13-21

Day 30  
8 May

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ... Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these.” (Luke 12:22-23,27)

Luke 12:22-34

Day 31  
9 May

“Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning, like servants waiting for their master to return from a wedding banquet, so that when he comes and knocks they can immediately open the door for him.” (Luke 12:35-36)

Luke 12:35-48

Day 32  
10 May

“I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division.” (Luke 12:49-51)

Luke 12:49-53

Day 33  
11 May

“When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, ‘It’s going to rain,’ and it does. And when the south wind blows, you say, ‘It’s going to be hot,’ and it is. Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don’t know how to interpret this present time?” (Luke 12:54-56)

Luke 12:54-59

Day 34  
12 May

“A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any. So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, ‘For three years now I’ve been coming to look for fruit on this

Luke 13:1-9



fig tree and haven't found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?' 'Sir,' the man replied, 'leave it alone for one more year, and I'll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.'" (Luke 13:6-9)

Day 35  
13 May

"What is the kingdom of God like? What shall I compare it to? It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his garden. It grew and became a tree, and the birds perched in its branches" (Luke 13:18-19)

Luke 13:18-21

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## Jesus continues toward Jerusalem (Luke 13:22–17:10)

Day 36  
14 May

“Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, ‘Sir, open the door for us.’ ”  
(Luke 13:24–25)

Luke 13:22–30

Day 37  
15 May

“Suppose one of you wants to build a tower. Won’t you first sit down and estimate the cost to see if you have enough money to complete it?”  
(Luke 14:28)

Luke 14:25–35

Day 38  
16 May

“Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn’t he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it?” (Luke 15:4)

Luke 15:1–7

Day 39  
17 May

“Suppose a woman has ten silver coins and loses one. Doesn’t she light a lamp, sweep the house and search carefully until she finds it?”  
(Luke 15:8)

Luke 15:8–10

Day 40  
18 May

“The master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly. For the people of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own kind than are the people of the light. I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much.”  
(Luke 16:8–10)

Luke 16:1–15

Day 41  
19 May

“ ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ” (Luke 16:31)

Luke 16:19–31

Day 42  
20 May

“Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come. It would be better for them to be thrown into the sea with a millstone tied around their neck than to cause one of these

Luke 17:1–10

little ones to stumble. So watch yourselves!" (Luke 17:1-3)

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## Jesus approaches Jerusalem (Luke 17:11–19:27)

Day 43  
21 May

“The coming of the kingdom of God is not something that can be observed, nor will people say, ‘Here it is,’ or ‘There it is,’ because the kingdom of God is in your midst.” (Luke 17:20–21)

Luke 17:20–37

Day 44  
22 May

“Will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly.” (Luke 18:7–8)

Luke 18:1–8

Day 45  
23 May

“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people — robbers, evildoers, adulterers — or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’ But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’ I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.”  
(Luke 18:10–14)

Luke 18:9–14

Day 46  
24 May

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Truly I tell you, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.” (Luke 18:16–17)

Luke 18:15–17

Day 47  
25 May

“We are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be fulfilled. He will be delivered over to the Gentiles. They will mock him, insult him and spit on him; they will flog him and kill him. On the third day he will rise again.”  
(Luke 18:31–33)

Luke 18:31–34



## Jesus in Jerusalem (Luke 19:28–24:53)

Day 48  
26 May

“I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. ... This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me. ... This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.” (Luke 22:20)

Luke 22:7–23

Day 49  
27 May

“Peace be with you. ... This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.” (Luke 24:36,46–49)

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Day 50  
28 May

“Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit. ... You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”  
(Acts 1:4-5, 7-8)

Acts 1:1-11

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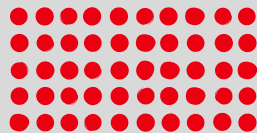
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