Divine Romance - Spiritual Warfare

Week 6 – Wednesday

Luke 24:18-31

Then they said to Him, "The things concerning Jesus..." Eventually the Lord starts to say something. Later in the story they say, "Was not our heart burning within us while He was speaking to us on the road." This happened even before they recognized the Lord. He started to minister something to them and their hearts were burning. Do you see? You reach their heart. First you reach them and walk with them at their pace. Eleven kilometres—how long was this talk? We read and it is about ten verses, but these ten verses took eleven kilometres. Of course, we don't know exactly where He joined them. Even if it was half way, can you imagine Jesus walking five and a half kilometres? But He did!

Verse 28 says, "And they drew near to the village where they were going, and He acted as though He would go farther." Can you imagine our Lord doing this? They must have come to a kind of fork in the road or they arrived at the place and He said, "Oh, you are here. It was nice talking to you. Bye, bye." Then they said, "No, no, won't you come to stay with us?" Then He responds, "I wouldn't want to impose." Of course, it doesn't say that but with a little sanctified imagination, you could understand that probably He did say something like this. "No, no, please, just a little while. It is not an imposition.""I don't know. Well..." Where was He going? Actually He wanted to get into their home, unveil Himself to them, then go that evening back to Jerusalem, walk through that wall, appear to all the disciples, and then breathe into them, telling them "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20 follows this story. That is what He wanted to do. He wanted those two disciples in that meeting, but He never talks about the meeting. He never rebukes them, well only a little rebuke: "Foolish and slow of heart to believe", but it was tender. Do you see the shepherding here? There was even some divine, human acting to go along with them in their situation.