# End of the Year at Emmaus

- Caroling Today @ 2:30pm
- Christmas Eve Service Wed @ 4pm
- December 28th
  - No Sunday School; 10:45am Worship
- Wed, January 7th
  - 5pm Meal / 6pm Groups

# An Advent (and Lifelong) Skill: Seeing Previews of Light

#### John 19:31

Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day [another Passover connection]), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away.

## John 19:32-33

So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. [Passover lamb's legs unbroken]

### John 19:34-35

But one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe.

## John 19:36-37

For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken." [Psalm 34:20] And again another Scripture says, "They will look on him whom they have pierced." [Zechariah 12:10]

# Previews of Light

- 1. On the Cross
- The Lord is Near to the Brokenhearted
- Jesus brings Cleansing and Hope

### John 19:38

After these things Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus, and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took away his body.

## John 19:39-40

Nicodemus, who earlier had come to Jesus by night, came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about 75 pounds in weight. They took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen cloths with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews.

# Previews of Light

- 1. On the Cross
- 2. At the Burial
- Faith (slowly) overcomes fear.
- Sacrifices are made to honor Jesus.

## John 19:41-42

Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, since the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there.

"Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." - John 12:24

"I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel." - Genesis 3:15

# Previews of Light

- 1. On the Cross
- 2. At the Burial
- 3. In the Grave
- Pictures of Baptism and Burial
  - The Hope of New Life