

John 2:22

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

Analysis

After the resurrection, the disciples remembered and believed. Understanding came retrospectively—'then remembered his disciples that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.' Scripture and Jesus' words mutually confirmed each other. The resurrection was the interpretive key unlocking previous teachings. Faith grows as events illuminate prior words.

Historical Context

Post-resurrection understanding characterizes the disciples' journey. Before the cross, they missed much; after the resurrection and Pentecost, previous teachings suddenly made sense. John's Gospel itself was written from this post-resurrection perspective, interpreting earlier events through resurrection light.

Related Passages

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. How has your understanding of Scripture grown as life events illuminated its meaning?
2. Why is the resurrection central to understanding Jesus' earlier teaching?

Interlinear Text

ὅτε	οὖν	ἠγέρθη	ἐκ	νεκρῶν	ἐμνήσθησαν	οἱ		
When	therefore	he was risen	from	the dead	remembered	G3588		
G3753	G3767	G1453	G1537	G3498	G3415			
μαθηταὶ	αὐτοῖς·	ὅτι	τοῦτο	ἔλεγεν	αὐτοῖς·	καὶ		
disciples	his	that	this	he had said	his	and		
G3101	G846	G3754	G5124	G3004	G846	G2532		
ἐπίστευσαν	τῇ	γραφῇ	καὶ	τῷ	λόγῳ	ὃ	εἶπεν	ὁ
they believed	G3588	the scripture	and	G3588	the word	which	had said	G3588
G4100		G1124	G2532		G3056	G3739	G2036	
Ἰησοῦς								
Jesus								
G2424								

Additional Cross-References

John 12:16 (References Jesus): These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him.

John 14:26 (Parallel theme): But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 16:4 (Parallel theme): But these things have I told you, that when the time shall come, ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

Psalms 16:10 (Parallel theme): For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

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