



# The Road to Emmaus

Luke 24:17, 18, 27-34

**Running time:** Approximately 6 minutes

**Set:** The set for Units 1-4 is designed to look like a Medieval Castle. It is the Palace of the King. There is a curtained opening center stage, a ramp stage right and an upper level where characters can enter. There is a window stage left for puppets and a hinged stained glass window stage right that opens to reveal the Bible. For added interest, build windows and levels where the characters and puppets can pop up unexpectedly.

**Characters:** Prince Lovesalot is a young prince who is simply overflowing with love for all people and all of God's creation. He wants the whole world to know the love of the King. He speaks with a rural country accent. Robespierre is a cheating, lying enemy who comes to trick the servants of the King. He speaks with a French accent.

**Plot:** Prince Lovesalot is heading along the road to his home when he is stopped and robbed by Robespierre. He tells him about how Jesus appeared to the disciples on the road to Emmaus. We learn that, if we follow Jesus, we will see him some day.

**Costumes:** Crown, cape, heart covered trousers, wig, musketeer hat, velvet pants, animal print robe, wig, mustache.

**Props:** Sword, stick horse, party hat, gold coins, Bible, box, carrot

**Sound effects (SFX):**

1. Intro/Outro music suggestions: familiar castle/battle themes from movies such as The Lord of the Rings, or Monty Python and the Holy Grail, or Productiontrax.com – The Price of Freedom, Iron Lore, Prepare for Battle, Rain of Fire -: 80; (i-movies: Timely, pursuit, heroes, flurry, saber.)
2. Horse galloping
3. Ominous music motif
4. Angelic choir "ahs"
5. "All You Need is Love" (The Beatles)
6. Stained Glass Window suggestion: "King of Kings and Lord of Lords" from Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus" or other royal song clip. Music plays when this window is opened during each episode to reveal the Bible.

**Visual effects (VFX):**

1. Video Intro featuring knights on horseback is available at ResourceWell.org
2. Hinged, stained glass window holds the Bible. When opened, light shines out and music plays.
3. Scripture Slide: *Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, and he disappeared from their sight. Luke 24:31*
4. Closing Slide: "Serving the King is the noblest thing!"

**Adaptations:**

1. Sound Effects: instead of using recorded effects, have children make the sounds
2. Voiceovers: may be spoken off stage
3. This illustration is also available in storybook form located at ResourceWell.org

**Kingdom Adventures**  
**Unit 4, Lesson 19**  
**The Road to Emmaus**  
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**Voiceover:** (VFX: Video intro)

In ancient days noble knights roamed the land doing good deeds and acts of service for their king. Many of those brave squires served the greatest Lord of all, the King of Kings! Travel with us now as we ride with these mighty men of God on their quest for Kingdom Adventures! (SFX: horse galloping)

**Prince Loves-a-lot** (gallop through audience)  
Tally Ho! Tally ho! Hello, dahlings! 'Tis I, Prince Loves-a-lot! My unicorn, Violet, and I have enjoyed our visit but we are now on our way home to the faraway land of Agape. Ah, this looks like a perfect place to stop for a snack. (Removes carrot from bag) Here we are, Violet, just two old friends on the road again.

**Robespierre** (enters)  
'Allo, 'allo Monsieur!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
Oh, hello fellow traveler.

**Robespierre**  
Comment allez-vous?

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
I won't tell on you either!

**Robespierre**  
No, no, I said, "Comment allez-vous?"

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
Oh, you poor creature. You don't speak English. (Overly loud) I AM PRINCE LOVES-A-Lot. WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

**Robespierre**  
I am French, monsieur, not deaf!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
My apologies, my European friend. Would you like a carrot stick?

**Robespierre**  
No thank you. But, I may have something that you might want. I couldn't help but notice that crown.

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
Thank you. I'm a prince, you know.

**Robespierre**  
Of course you are! So surely you know what all of the fashionable princes are wearing these days.

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
A raspberry beret?

**Robespierre** (Pulls out party hat)  
The kind you find in a second hand store? Oh no, that is so 1985. Today's well dressed prince wears this!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
A party hat?

**Robespierre**  
Oh no, zis is a chapeau de soiree! And it is on sale for one gold coin!

**Prince Loves-a-lot** (reaches in pack)  
I have gold coins!

**Robespierre** (pulls sword)  
Hold it right there! Give me all your gold, Prince Charming!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
Oh no, my name is Prince Loves-a-lot.

**Robespierre** (shakes hand)  
I met a Prince Loves-a-lot once.

**Prince Loves-a-lot**  
I thought you looked familiar! You are that famous thief, Robespierre! (SFX: Ominous music motif)

**Robespierre**

It is so good to see you again my friend!  
Now, I'm afraid I must ask you to hand  
over all your treasure!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

I really didn't bring much. I've only got  
these carrots and a few Capri Suns and my  
Nintendo 3-D. S.

**Robespierre**

Wait! What is in that box?

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

Oh, this is the greatest treasure of all,  
God's Word! Let me get it out! (Opens box)  
(SFX: "King of Kings and Lord of Lords")

**Robespierre** (he takes box)

A magic box! I must have it! (Hands sword  
to Prince) Here hold this! How do you make  
this box sing?

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

Silly fellow, the box is not the treasure.  
The treasure is found inside God's word!  
See! (Opens Bible) (SFX: Angelic chorus "ah"!)

**Robespierre**

Wow! That's unbelievable!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

Oh, you can believe it. Every word in it is  
true. That's a promise from God. Shall I  
read some to you?

**Robespierre** (sits)

Oh yes, I love story time!

**Prince Loves-a-lot** (sits beside him)

This is a perfect story! It's about two men  
who were walking along a road.

**Robespierre**

Just like us!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

Exactly, these two men were walking  
along on the road to a town called  
Emmaus. Guess who started walking with  
them?

**Robespierre**

Was it...Perry the Platypus?

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

No! It was Jesus!

**Robespierre**

I have heard of this Jesus! Some people  
call Him Lord and Savior!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

Yes! I call him King! But this story takes  
place after Jesus had died.

**Robespierre**

What? How can someone appear after  
they are dead?

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

God had raised Jesus from the dead! He  
had been resurrected!

**Robespierre**

Is that possible?

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

With God, nothing is impossible! This was  
the same day that Jesus rose from the  
dead. But the men didn't know, they  
thought he was still dead. They were sadly  
talking about how they had hoped that  
Jesus would be the Redeemer who would  
save their people.

**Robespierre**

Did they jump all over Jesus and hug Him  
when they saw Him?

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

No. They didn't know who He was. God  
had kept them from recognizing Him.

**Robespierre**

Sacre bleu!

**Prince Loves-a-lot**

Jesus told them all of things that the Bible  
said about His life. The whole Bible all the  
way back to Moses points us to Jesus! It  
even predicted how Jesus would suffer  
before He entered into His glory!

Robespierre

Did Jesus tell them who He was?

Prince Loves-a-lot

No, but they invited Him to dinner.

Robespierre

Did they have French toast?

Prince Loves-a-lot

No, just bread. Jesus broke bread with them, just as did with His disciples at the Last Supper.

Robespierre

Ah, Jesus had done this before?

Prince Loves-a-lot (VFX: Scripture slide) Yes, and the Bible says, "*Then their eyes were opened and they recognized Him, and he disappeared from their sight.*" Luke 24:31

Robespierre

He disappeared? Where did He go?

Prince Loves-a-lot

They didn't know. But they knew that He was the Lord and He had risen. They said their hearts burned inside them as they talked to Him.

Robespierre

Maybe it was the French toast?

Prince Loves-a-lot

Maybe it was the excitement of meeting Jesus and knowing that they would see Him again.

Robespierre

How did they know that?

Prince Loves-a-lot

It's another promise in the Bible from God that if we believe in Him one day we will see Him with our own eyes! Well, it was nice seeing you again, Robespierre.

Robespierre

Wait! Where are you going?

Prince Loves-a-lot

We're going to walk along this road.

Robespierre

I want to come. My heart is burning too! I want to hear more about this Jesus and see Him one day! Oh, what am I saying? Jesus has no use for a thief like me.

Prince Loves-a-lot

I serve King Jesus and He loves everyone, even thieves like you, that's why: 'Serving the King is the noblest thing!' (VFX: Closing Slide) (SFX: All You Need is Love) **Would you like to walk with us?**

Robespierre

Oui, I would. Do you think we'll meet Jesus on the road?

Prince Loves-a-lot

I believe we already have. (Both exit.)