

SERMON NOTES

“Seeing and Believing”

John 20:19-31

(use the space below to jot down some thoughts and takeaways from today’s message)

Thomas wasn’t as bad as we think

All of the disciples doubted!

Matthew 28:17; Mark 16:11, 13; Luke 24:11, 25

“Let us also go, that we may die with Him.”- John 11:16

“Lord... how can we know the way?”- John 14:5

Thomas was worse than we think!

“...I will never believe!”- John 20:25

We are blessed because our faith comes from Jesus and not from us!

“Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”- John 20:29

NEXT STEPS

Reflect:

- Did you ever have a hard time believing something that turned out to be true? What changed your mind?
- In today’s message, we heard about two reasons why we shouldn’t call Thomas “Doubting Thomas.” What do you think of that? What new insights does this open up for you as you consider your own faith?
- Why is it significant that your faith doesn’t come from you but from Jesus? How does this increase your confidence in His lordship and divinity?

Get in the Word:

- Join us as we read through the Book of Acts together this Easter season:
 - Monday: Acts 1:1-11
 - Tuesday: Acts 1:12-26
 - Wednesday: Acts 2:1-13
 - Thursday: Acts 2:14-47
 - Friday: Acts 3:1-26
 - Saturday: Acts 4:1-22

Pray:

- Pray that God would give you the faith to believe without seeing and to worship Jesus as your Lord and your God.

Next week:

- This Easter season we will consider “The New Normal” in a new series based on the book of Acts.