

Message Notes

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Encountering Christ
"Doubting" Thomas
John 20:19-31
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◆ _____ is often the _____ step to real _____. (Acts 6:9-23)

◆ Thomas needed _____ before he'd _____. (Jn 20:25)

Is This Really True?

◆ Though _____, he also displays great _____. (Jn 11:16)

Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see My hands. Reach out your hand and put it into My side. Stop doubting and believe."

John 20:27

◆ With _____ Jesus gives Thomas the _____ he needed.

◆ What _____ for the _____ do we have today?

◆ Doubt #1: Jesus was _____ actually _____ on the cross.

◆ Doubt #2: They got the _____ tomb or His body was _____.

◆ Doubt #3: The _____ made it up well _____ the fact.

What Difference Does It Make?

❶ If true, Jesus _____ Himself as the _____ God who can _____.

Thomas said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" **John 20:28**

◆ Thomas turned from _____ to _____ believer. (Ac 2:14)

◆ If Jesus really _____ it demands our _____ life! (1 Co 15:14; Ro 12:1)

These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, & that by believing you may have life in His name. **John 20:31**

❷ If true, we can now enjoy _____ w/God for _____. (1 Co 15:17)

◆ *Finishing* His _____ Jesus now offers true "_____." (Jn 20:19, 26)

◆ Will I give Christ my _____ & receive His _____ this Easter?