

WAY OF SALVATION Part 7: "Living Proof" 06-11-17

Welcome: What's your favorite thing to do in the summer?

Witness: Have one person share the extravagant/reckless act of grace they did for an unbeliever in their life.

Worship: Read Psalm 62:5-8 aloud.

Word: Read *John 20:19-25.*

- Why do you think Jesus showed His disciples "his hands and side"?
- What's the significance of Jesus appearing after His resurrection in human form before ascending to Heaven in the glorious form that John describes in Revelation (see *Rev.* 1:12-18, 19:11-16)?
- What was Jesus' commission to His disciples (and us)? See also Matthew 28:18-20. How does verse 23 instruct us in that commission?

Read John 20:26-31 and Hebrews 11:6.

• How was Thomas' statement in verse 28 different than Peter's statement that Jesus was "the Christ, the Son of the living God"? (See *Matt. 16:16-19*) Why was Jesus' reaction to Thomas different than to Peter?

Read the Nicene Creed together aloud as a group.

- Is there anything in the Nicene Creed that you doubt or are struggling to believe?
- What promises from God are you doubting/struggling to believe? Share how those doubts may be leading to disobedience to God.

Looking Ahead: Read *John 21:1-14* before the weekend!