LIFEgroup STUDY GUIDE

What you will need to supplement this guide:

- 1. A copy of the outline provided for notes on this message (copy from message or downloaded from the COASTAL APP.
- 2. A Bible or Bible APP to refer to verses.

PURSUING LIFE TOGETHER

SUNDAY MESSAGE REVIEW

NOTE to the LIFEgroup Leader: This guide is provided as a tool to assist you in facilitating a structured discussion with your group. When used in conjunction with the outline notes and a Bible this tool will ensure that your group will *Engage Authentically*. The questions are merely recommended "talk starters". It is important for you to let God help you navigate through the conversation as you *pursue life together* as a group.

OPEN IN PRAYER

STARTER QUESTIONS:

Where have you seen God at work in your life since we last met?

What stood out to you from the message this week?

MAIN IDEA:

- REVIEW THE MAIN TOPIC OF THE MESSAGE. Allow time for discussion
- READ THE MAIN SCRIPTURE FROM THE MESSAGE OUTLINE.

How did this verse speak to you in your life?

- REVIEW THE SUB-TOPICS of the MESSAGE.

Have someone read each of the verses that were highlighted in the message, and briefly discuss.

Is there an area that you feel God is speaking to you through this message?

FINAL THOUGHTS:

- SUMMARIZE the main idea of this message.

Would anyone like to share your thoughts about what we discussed today?

How can we pray for you as a group?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

HELP MY UNBELIEF! "Doubting God"

"The father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" Mark 9:24 (NKJV)

"Now Thomas (called **Didymus**), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples **when Jesus** came.

So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

"But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, **I will not believe** it." John 20:24-25 (NIV)

"A week later his disciples were in the house again, and **Thomas was with them**. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" John 20:26 (NIV)

"Without good works you can't prove whether you have faith or not; but anyone can see that I have faith by the way I act." James 2:18 (TLB)

Faith isn't an absence of <u>doubt</u>, it's an act of <u>doing</u>.

"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 20:26-27 (NIV)

1. "Stop <u>Doubting</u>"

"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 20:26-27 (NIV)

2. "<u>Believe</u>"

The <u>amount</u> of your faith isn't as important as what (Who) your faith is in! "Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" Matthew 14:31 (NIV)

"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 20:26-27 (NIV)

3. "Touch My <u>Wounds</u>"

"Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

John 20:28 (NIV)