

Title: Doubting Thomas Scripture: John 20:24-31 Date Preached: April 18, 2021

DISCUSSION STARTER:

What is something you did growing up that just wouldn't fit into today's culture (i.e., rent movies from a store)?

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Read the scripture text as a group. If you were unable to worship with us on Sunday, you can watch this week's sermon at my.worthingtoncc.org/listen.

- 1. How do you think the disciples felt after Jesus was crucified?
- 2. Why were they hiding together in a locked room? What is the significance of Jesus entering a locked room?
- 3. Why do you think he first said to them, "Peace be with you!"? John tells us the disciples were overjoyed. What do you think "overjoyed" would have looked like at that moment? (For further discussion read John 16:20)
- 4. If you were Thomas and you missed the first encounter with Jesus and the disciples, how would you have reacted?
- 5. What makes Thomas's statement, "My Lord and my God," so meaningful?
- 6. Why did Jesus say, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed"? How does this statement translate to today? (For further discussion read 2 Peter 1:8-9)

MY NEXT STEP:

What would change in my life if I lived all-in with Jesus? What does it mean for me to say, "My Lord and my God"?

Next Week's Sermon Title: GO