

Questions for Discussion
April 4, 2021
Easter

Jesus loves you and invites you to join him in a joyous and purposeful life.

A Jesus to Believe In
John 20:24-29

Our sermon today focused on Thomas—often called “Doubting Thomas”—in two specific areas: His *struggle* to believe and the *evidence* that finally led him to believe.

1. Can you describe your own struggle to believe? Have there been specific doubts you’ve had to overcome? Are there doubts even now you’re struggling with? How do you think you may be better able to deal with doubts after seeing how Thomas handled his doubts?
2. The evidence that led Thomas to belief was the physical presence of Jesus the wounds from his crucifixion. The sermon today discussed three different kinds of evidence for belief that we have today: the evidence of history, reason and personal narrative. Which of those means the most to you? Why?
3. Is there a loved one or friend who is struggling to believe in Jesus? How might you be able to lead that person to faith?

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord’s resurrection, may, by your life-giving Spirit, be delivered from sin and raised from death; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.