

# Thomas believes when he sees Jesus.

John 20:24-29

Some of Jesus' friends were excited! "We have seen Jesus!" Jesus' friends said. "He is alive!"

Thomas was sad. Thomas knew that Jesus had died. Thomas didn't believe that Jesus had come back to life. "I won't believe that Jesus is alive unless I see Him and touch Him," Thomas said.

Later Thomas and Jesus' other friends were together in a house. The doors were locked so that no one could get in. Suddenly, Jesus appeared in the room. Jesus knew that Thomas still didn't believe He was really alive. Jesus must have smiled at Thomas. "Come and touch Me, Thomas," Jesus said. "I want you to know that I am alive." Thomas was glad to see Jesus! Now Thomas knew for sure that Jesus was alive.

Memory Verse: John 20:29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Thomas would not believe unless he saw Jesus. None of us have seen Jesus. He is in Heaven. Faith is believing even though we cannot see. Hebrews 11:1 says: Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Hebrews 11:6 says: And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him. We are saved by faith-by believing that Jesus died for our sins, that He rose again and that He will save us. Are you trusting in God for salvation?

Our memory verse tells us that we are blessed because we do not see Jesus and yet believe in Him.

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