

CHILDREN'S CHURCH ACTIVITY AND CRAFT BOOK

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Doubting Thomas



BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Jesus Appears to His Disciples

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Based on John 20:19-31 (NIV)



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Thomas

John 20:19-29

A Lesson for Thomas

In the Gospel of John, Jesus appears in a closed room to a group of his disciples. Another disciple, Thomas, is not in the room when Jesus appears. When his fellow disciples tell him about their experience, Thomas says he needs proof it is Jesus. He wants to see the marks left from the crucifixion in order to believe Jesus has appeared.

Eight days later, Jesus appears to his disciples in a closed room again. This time Thomas is there!

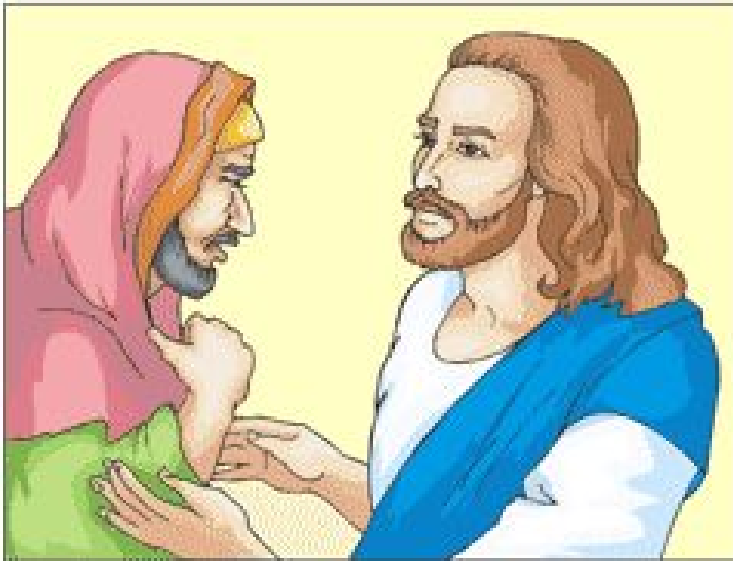
Write the letter that comes between the two letters to find out what Jesus said to a doubtful Thomas.

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CAN YOU SPOT THE DIFFERENCE?

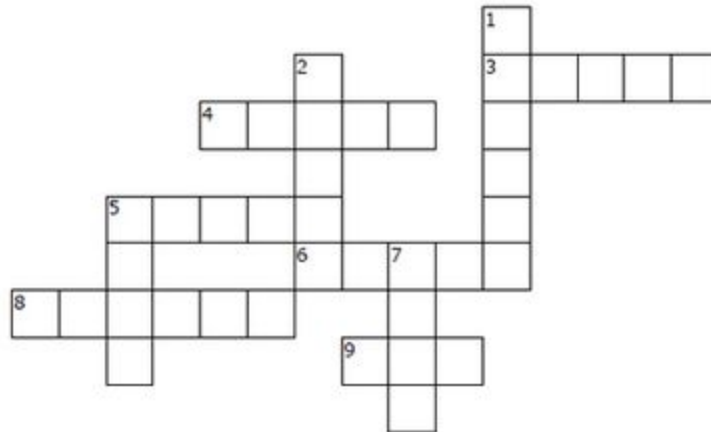


Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"
Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me,
you have believed; blessed are those who have not
seen and yet have believed." John 20:28-29 NIV

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ACROSS

3. To be in a state of pleasure, satisfaction, joy or delight
4. Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war
5. To be undecided or unbelieving that something is true
6. The body parts at the end of the arms
8. Not open
9. To break God's law

DOWN

1. The disciple who would not believe without seeing
2. To believe in something for which there is no proof
5. An entrance into a building or room
7. A thin piece of metal with one pointed end and one flat end which you hit with a hammer

PEACE	DOOR	HANDS	FAITH	HAPPY
NAIL	THOMAS	CLOSED	SIN	DOUBT

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Complete the paragraph by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the story.

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, _____ came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his _____ and _____. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Now _____, one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have _____ the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the _____ marks in his hands and put my _____ where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not _____ it."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were _____, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop _____ and believe."

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

John 20:19-28 (NIV)

believe	finger	jesus	nail	side
doubting	hands	locked	seen	Thomas

Did You Know this about the disciple Thomas?

- He was called Didymus, which meant Thomas, the twin.



- After Jesus' resurrection, he says he won't believe that Jesus was raised from the dead unless he can put his hands in the nail prints.



- When Jesus was getting ready to return to Bethany, he said, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."



- When he saw Jesus after the resurrection, he believed.



- In one of Jesus' talks, he mentions going to his Father's house. Thomas says, "We do not know where you are going." Jesus then explained that his whole life led them to the Father.



CHILDREN'S CRAFT FOR MAY 3, 2020

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The Bible tells us in John 20:24-29 about Thomas, who was a follower of Jesus. Thomas didn't believe that Jesus had risen from the dead, even when he heard it from the other disciples! He said "“Unless I see the nail holes in His hands, put my finger in the nail holes, and stick my hand in His side, I won't believe it.” Eight days later, Jesus shows up and tells Thomas to put his finger in His wounds, Jesus speaks these powerful words to Thomas, “Stop doubting and believe”.

This weeks craft is a paper hands pop-up of Jesus' hands with a piece of scripture that your little makers can weave through Jesus' wounds. We hope this craft serves as a powerful lesson that just because you can't see something with your eyes, doesn't mean it is not real.

