

# DOUBTERS WELCOME



Hand-drawn white text on a dark background includes: FRUSTRATION, Tired, PAIN, SUFFERING, GRIEF, STOP, Depression, Sorrow, MISS, and a sad face icon.



# Thomas

# CAUTIOUS

# DOUBT





# DOUBTING THOMAS

**Thomas was one of the 12 apostles (Matthew 10:1-4)**

**He had up close and personal Jesus Experience**

**He had Jesus Testimony (Matthew 17:22-23)**

**He served with those giving testimony (Luke 9:1-6)**

**I won't have faith in  
the chair until I can  
sit in the chair**



# DEALING WITH HIS DOUBTS

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!" 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."



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# DEALING WITH HIS DOUBTS

His doubts did not lead him away from Jesus, it led him toward discovery

The presence of doubt within our faith gives us the desire to learn and the ability to grow



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**TEACH-ABLE**

**WON'T**



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# DEALING WITH HIS DOUBTS

There was no scolding for Thomas' doubt

There was no long lecture although he did request,  
he believe

Instead, he offered Thomas exactly what he said he  
needed

Thomas Accepted what he saw (v. 28)

**Thomas said to him,  
“My Lord and my God!”**

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A small illustration of a person sitting on the ground, looking up at a large, glowing question mark. The person is wearing a white shirt and dark pants. The question mark is large and has a bright, glowing center. The background is dark and textured.



# HIS ROLE IN JESUS' MINISTRY

He was a prominent leader in the Jerusalem church (Acts 1:13)

History tells us he became a missionary

History also tells us he was a martyr



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# HIS ROLE IN JESUS' MINISTRY

Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”

John 10:29



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# SEEING IS NOT BELIEVING

“He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

Luke 16:31

IF ONLY ...



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# JESUS DISAGREES



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# SEEING IS NOT BELIEVING

**Belief is harder without  
the physical proof**

**So, we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on  
what is unseen, since what is seen is  
temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.**

**2 Corinthians 4:18**



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# SEEING IS NOT BELIEVING

**Jesus was on this earth for 33 years**

**In the realm of time that is short**

**We need to remember the time here on earth  
was for eternal purposes**



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**Jesus replied, “Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea,’ and it will be done.**

**Matthew 21:21**



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# DOUBT

**Pure faith absent of all doubt,  
if it existed, would be so powerful  
it would change the world**



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**Thomas believed what he saw, but the test of faith is can people see what you believe?**

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