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## John 20:24-31

## **Doubting Thomas**

- 24 Thomas (the one called "The Twin") was one of the twelve apostles. He was NOT with them when Jesus came.
- 25 The other followers continued to tell Thomas, "We have SEEN the Lord Jesus!"

Thomas said to them, "I will NEVER believe it, unless I see the marks of the nails in his hands, unless I put my finger into the marks of the nails, unless I put my hand into his side!"

- 26 A week later, Jesus' followers were inside again. Thomas was with them, too. The doors were locked, but Jesus came and stood in the middle of them and said, "Peace be to you!" 27 Then Jesus said to Thomas, "Look at my hands! Put your finger here. Bring your hand here and put it in my side. Stop doubting and start believing!"
- 28 Thomas answered Jesus, "My Lord and my God!"
- 29 Jesus said to him, "You have believed, because you have seen me. The happy ones are those who have NOT seen me and yet who believe!"

## Why This Book was Written

30 Jesus showed many more proofs from God in front of his followers, but those are NOT written in this book. 31 These proofs have been written, so that you, the listeners, might believe this: Jesus IS the Messiah, the Son of God! If you believe this, you will have eternal life by his name.