



## E-Kids: At home with your family 19<sup>th</sup> April 2020

### John 20:24-29 (ESV)

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord!'

But he said to them, 'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.'

<sup>26</sup> 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!' <sup>27</sup> 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.'

<sup>28</sup> Thomas said to him, 'My Lord and my God!'

<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'

### Talking about the passage:

Setting the scene this week will I hope help ekids of every age get into this passage. Thomas had really missed out. All the disciples except him had seen Jesus. Jesus came and joined them when all the other disciples were together (v19&20). I have laid out below a progression of ideas which I think will be roughly in line with Rich's first two points in his sermon. The age group headings are only a rough guide as to what will suit each age group. Please use whatever best suits your children.

#### For Pebbles

Thomas needed to see Jesus for himself to be sure Jesus was alive again. Jesus was really kind to Thomas and came to see Thomas so that he could believe Jesus was alive.

#### For Rocks

In addition to the above

The disciple had been with Jesus for 3 years, they knew lots about him.

After Thomas had seen Jesus all the disciples were really sure that Jesus was alive again. If the disciples are sure then we can be sure too.

#### For Boulders

In addition to the above

We haven't had the chance to see Jesus to believe he is alive, but Jesus knew that would happen, so he says that's okay Jesus blesses us by helping us believe without seeing him.

#### Something to ask..

It's normal for any believer to have things they are not sure about. Talk together about things you don't understand and ask Jesus to help you.

## Something to Pray

Thank you, Jesus, for helping Thomas believe.

Thank you that you say we don't have to see you to believe you are alive

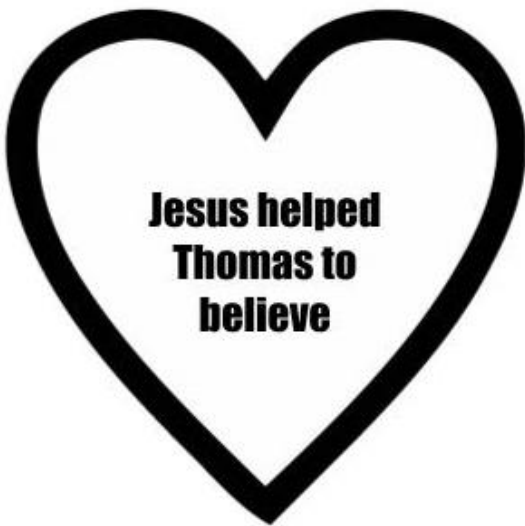
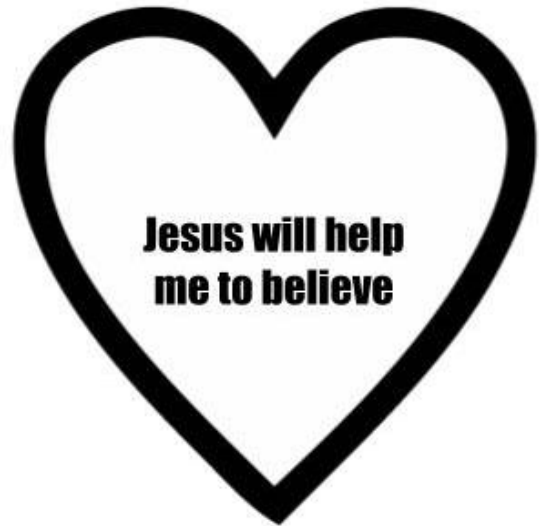
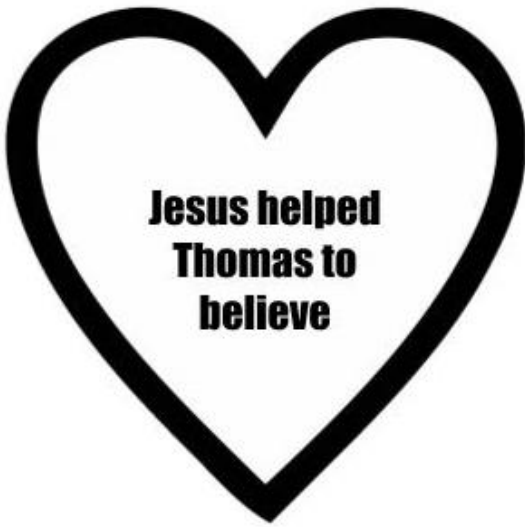
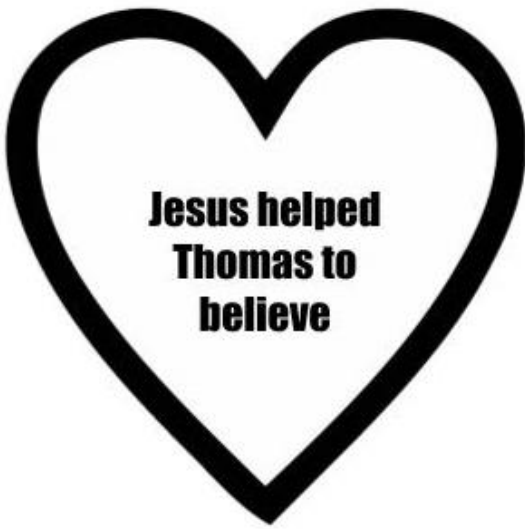
Please help us with the things we find hard to believe.

## Activities

Draw around your hands, and colour them in, then cut out and colour the hearts below then stick them one on each hand. You can turn this into a whole family activity and get your children to draw round your hands too.

Something like this





# Jesus Appears to His Disciples

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Based on John 20:19-31 (NIV)



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JESUS	TOGETHER	DOUBTING	RECORDED
MIRACLES	SIGNS	SHOWED	BELIEVED
DOORS	LIFE	HANDS	DISCIPLES
TOUCHED	THOMAS	SIDE	LOCKED



# Jesus Appears to His Disciples



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."

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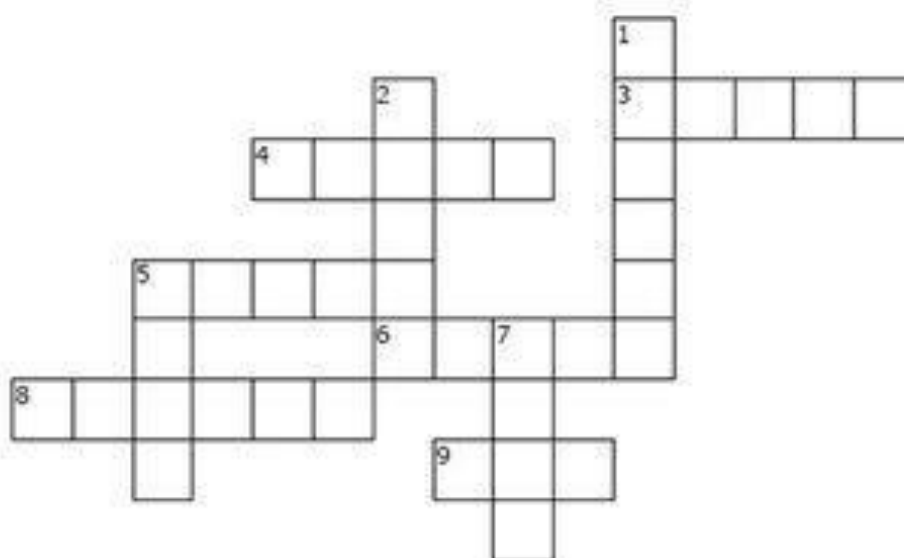
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believe	finger	jesus	nail	side
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## ACROSS

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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# Thomas

John 20:19-29

These are  
written  
that you  
may believe  
that Jesus  
is the Christ,  
the son of  
God.

John 20:31