

## Discussion Questions - Doubting Thomas

### 1. Where did Thomas' doubt begin, and where does yours usually start?

*John 20:24; Hebrews 10:25*

Thomas wasn't in the room when Jesus showed up. Let's be honest, how has *separation* (from community, church, or God's presence) impacted your faith? What rhythms help keep you "in the room"?

### 2. What pain or disappointment might be fueling your doubt right now?

*John 20:25; Psalm 34:18*

Thomas wasn't just skeptical, he was hurting. Sometimes doubt is just grief looking for answers. What's something in your life that didn't turn out the way you expected, and how has it shaped your view of God?

### 3. Have you ever drawn a line with God like Thomas did, "Unless I see... I will never believe"?

*John 20:25; Proverbs 3:5-6*

Where are you tempted to put conditions on your faith? What would it look like to trust God even without all the answers?

### 4. Which result of doubt hits closest to home for you right now?

*James 1:6; 1 John 5:12-13; Galatians 4:6-7; 2 Timothy 1:7; Mark 16:15*

- Disrupting your assurance
- Distorting your identity
- Delaying your obedience
- Defeating your mission

Which one are you feeling and how is it showing up in your life?

### 5. How have you experienced Jesus meeting you in your doubt?

*John 20:26-27*

Notice this, Jesus didn't shame Thomas... He showed up. Where have you seen God pursue you with patience and peace, even when your faith felt shaky?

### 6. If you were to examine your faith today, what evidence of grace do you see?

*2 Corinthians 13:5; Ephesians 2:8-9; Matthew 7:20*

Think through this:

- **Decision** – Have you trusted Jesus? (*Romans 10:13*)
- **Direction** – Is your life moving toward Him? (*Joshua 24:15*)
- **Desire** – Is there a growing hunger for God? (*Philippians 2:13*)
- **Distinction** – Is there fruit? (*Matthew 7:20*)

Where do you see God at work in you, even if it's small?

"Don't doubt in the dark what God showed you in the light." Corrie ten Boom

What's something God has already made clear to you, and how can you hold onto that truth this week?