

THE LIFE OF  
**JESUS**

Message 40  
**Doubt**

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2. Communicated their \_\_\_\_\_.  
(John 20:21-23. C/R: John 7:39; Acts 1:8; 2:1-21, 32-33;  
Romans 8:9)

► **Outline**

Today's Message based on *The Life of Jesus* – Reading 216 and 217  
(Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-29)

*Jesus said, "... Blessed are those who believe without seeing."*  
John 20:29b (HCSB)

**A. Introduction**  
(John 20:19. C/R Romans 5:1; Ephesians 2:17-18)

**B. The resurrected Jesus...**  
(Luke 24:36-43; John 20:20-25)

1. Confronted His \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Luke 24:37-43; John 20:20b. C/R: Romans 6:3-7;  
1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 12-23)

3. Convinced a \_\_\_\_\_.  
(John 20:24-29. C/R Matthew 16:19; Romans 10:17;  
2 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Peter 1:8-9)

**Answers:** 1. followers 2. assignment 3. doubter

**Resource Information:** Unless otherwise noted, outline and onscreen verses are from HCSB version (Holman Christian Standard Bible) of *The Holy Bible*. Our resource book for this series is *The Life of Jesus, A Simplified Harmony of the Gospels*, which is available in the Bookstore. C/R, if noted, refers to a 'cross reference' of Scripture verse(s). Today's outline and discussion guide are available to mobile device users through the Brookwood Church app available through your favorite app store.

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## ► Discussion Guide

Use this guide to help you draw closer to God. Try not to rush through these questions, but take time to learn and grow. Ask God to speak to you in His Word. Find a Small Group at [brookwoodchurch.org/smallgroups](http://brookwoodchurch.org/smallgroups).

### Conversation Starter

What scared you most as a kid?

### Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

Read [Luke 24:37-40](#) and [John 20:19-23](#) (the first four paragraphs of Reading #216 in *The Life of Jesus*).

1. What was causing the disciples to experience such fear?
2. What did Jesus say and do to change their doubt and fear to belief and amazement?
3. Have you ever encountered Jesus in such a way that changed the emotion you were experiencing? If so, describe what that was like.
4. Is experiencing peace with God essential for sharing your faith? Why or why not? See also: [Romans 5:1-5](#); [Ephesians 2:17-18](#).
5. How is our forgiveness of others related to God's forgiveness of us? How does our forgiveness of others help fulfill the mission of the church? See also: [Matthew 16:19](#); [Luke 7:47-50](#).

Read [John 20:24-29](#) (continue Reading #216, then finish with #217 in *The Life of Jesus*).

6. What were the disciples feeling as they spoke with Thomas? Have you ever felt like that? If so, explain.

7. What does Jesus mean by the statement in [John 20:29](#)?  
See also: [2 Corinthians 5:7](#); [1 Peter 1:8-9](#)
8. What are signs someone has faith in Jesus?
9. What is the most significant part of this week's teaching for you?  
How is God leading you to respond?

### Soul Training

Complete this sentence in several ways, then make this your prayer to God:  
*Jesus, I trust you with* \_\_\_\_\_

Use this time to express and deepen your faith in God. *Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about you.* [1 Peter 5:7 \(NLT\)](#)  
See also: [Hebrews 11:1](#).

### Memory Verse

*Jesus said, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who believe without seeing."* [John 20:29 \(HCSB\)](#)

### Daily Reading

Day	<i>The Life of Jesus</i> Reading #	or Bible Reference
November 6	216	<a href="#">Luke 24:36-43</a> ; <a href="#">John 20:19-25</a>
November 7	217	<a href="#">John 20:26-29</a>
November 8	218	<a href="#">John 21:1-14</a>
November 9	219	<a href="#">John 21:15-19</a>
November 10	220	<a href="#">John 21:20-24</a>

### Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, November 12, we'll look at Jesus' commission to the disciples to continue His work. Read [Matthew 28:16-20](#) and [Mark 16:15-18](#), which is Reading #221 in *The Life of Jesus*.



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