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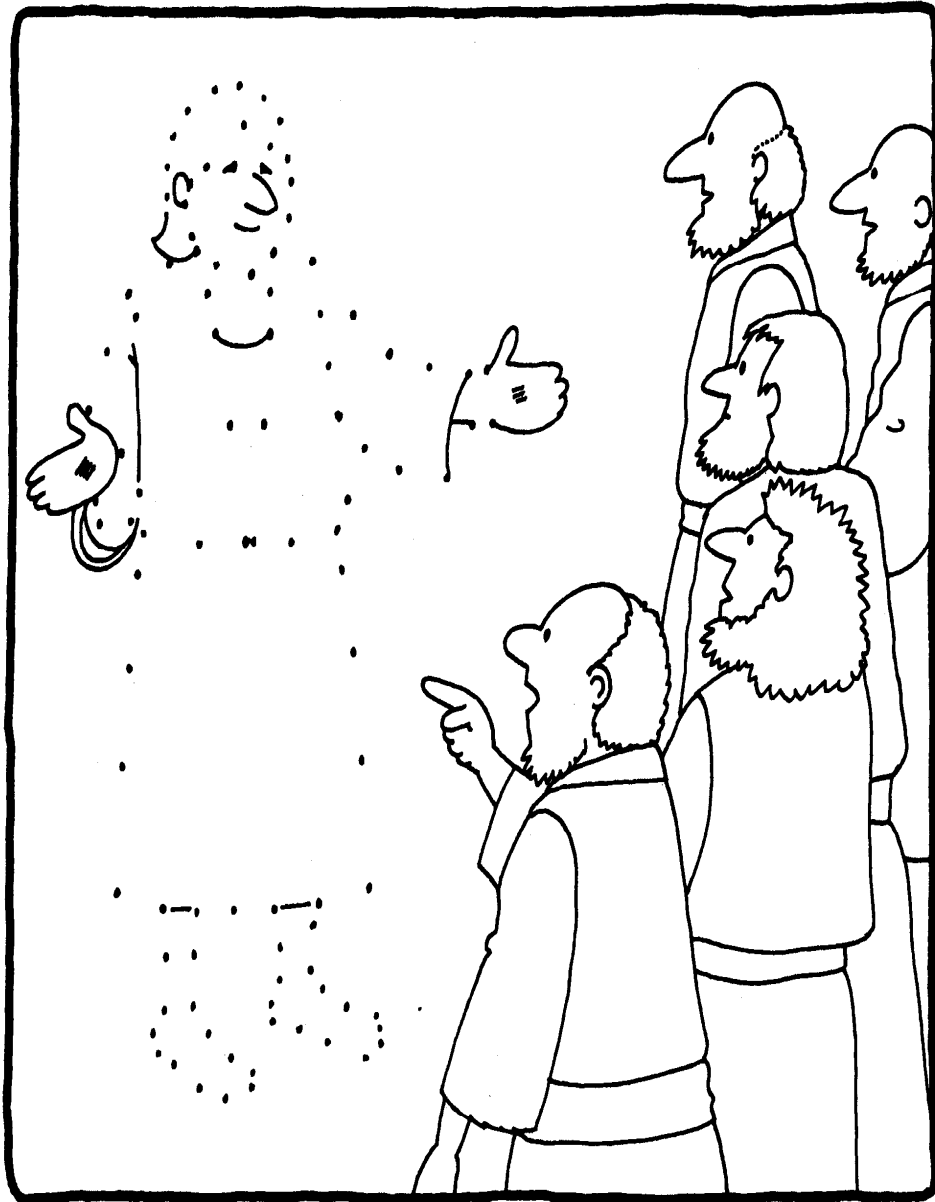


The Second Sunday of Easter 16 April, 2023

John 20:25

Thomas said: "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 it."

Heavenly Father, help us to accept by faith that Jesus has risen from the grave and that he is alive. Help us to believe, because, whether we believe it or not, it is true. **Amen.**



Join the dots to make Jesus appear.



YOU HAD COMPLETED YOUR ESSAY BEFORE THE DEADLINE BUT YOUR DAD ACCIDENTALLY THREW IT OUT FOR RECYCLING!

YOUR NEW-BORN BABY COUSIN WEIGHED IN AT 16 LBS!

YOU SAW YOUR CAT DO A TRIPLE SOMERSAULT AND LAND ON THE TIP OF ITS TAIL!

DID THEY BELIEVE YOU? Yes No

THOMAS HAD HEARD WHAT HIS FRIENDS SAID HAD HAPPENED:



WHY WASN'T HE CONVINCED?



DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD HAVE BELIEVED YOUR FRIENDS? Yes No

READ JOHN 20 v. 29. WHO FALLS INTO THAT CATEGORY? WHO IS JESUS THINKING OF??



SEEING IS BELIEVING

WHAT CONVINCED THE DISCIPLES THAT JESUS WAS ALIVE?

When Jesus was suddenly there, talking to them in person on the evening of Easter Day.

WERE THEY ALL THERE?

No, Thomas wasn't with them.

DID HE BELIEVE THEIR STORY?

No, he said he would only believe if he could see the nail marks and touch Jesus' wounds.

DID HE GET THAT CHANCE?

Yes, a week later. But when he'd seen Jesus he didn't need to touch the wounds. He knew it was true, and said, 'My Lord and my God!'

ACTS 5. 27-32. DID THE HIGH PRIEST BELIEVE PETER'S WITNESS?

WITNESS?

YES
NO

LORD JESUS, THANK YOU FOR HELPING THOMAS BELIEVE. PLEASE HELP MY FRIENDS, ESPECIALLY _____ TO KNOW YOU ARE REAL AND ALWAYS HERE WITH US. - AMEN -

Crossword: John 20:19-31 (CEV)

Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces.

Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.

14 down) The disciples were _____ of the Jewish leaders,

22 down) and on the evening of that same _____ they locked themselves in a room.

11 across) _____, Jesus appeared in the middle of the group.

20 down) He greeted them and _____ them his hands and his side.

27 across) When the disciples saw the Lord, they became very _____.

3 down) After _____ had greeted them again, he said,

15 across) I am sending you, just as the _____ has sent me.

2 across) Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy _____."

10 across) If you _____ anyone's sins, they will be forgiven.

19 across) But if you don't forgive their sins, they will not be _____."

6 down) Although Thomas the _____ was one of the twelve disciples,

17 across) he wasn't with the others when Jesus _____ to them.

8 down) So they _____ him, "We have seen the Lord!"

9 down) But Thomas said, "First, I must _____ the nail scars

21 down) in his hands and _____ them with my finger.

20 across) I must put my hand where the _____ went into his side.

4 across) I won't _____ unless I do this!"

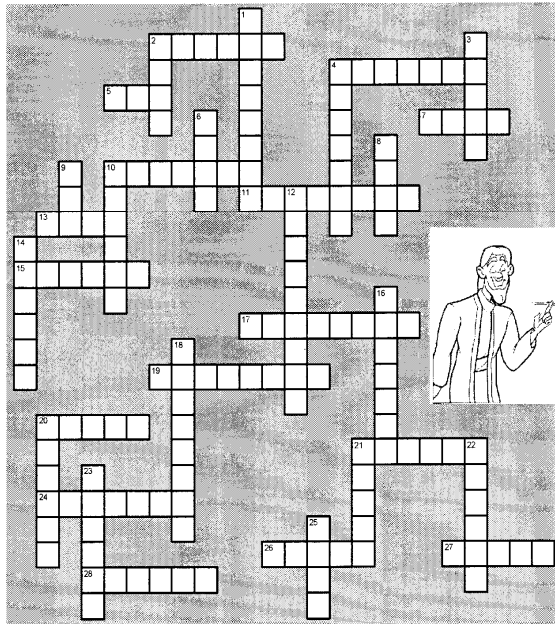
12 down) A week later the _____ were together again.

25 down) This time, Thomas was _____ them.

28 across) Jesus came in while the doors were still _____

23 down) and stood in the _____ of the group.

21 across) He greeted his disciples and said to _____,



10 down) Put your _____ here and look at my hands!

2 down) Put your hand into my _____.

18 down) Stop _____ and have faith!"

5 across) Thomas replied, "You are my Lord and my _____!"

13 across) Jesus said, "Thomas, do you have faith because you have _____ me?"

26 across) The people who have _____ in me without seeing me

4 down) are the ones who are really _____!"

1 down) Jesus worked many other _____ for his disciples,

24 across) and not all of them are _____ in this book.

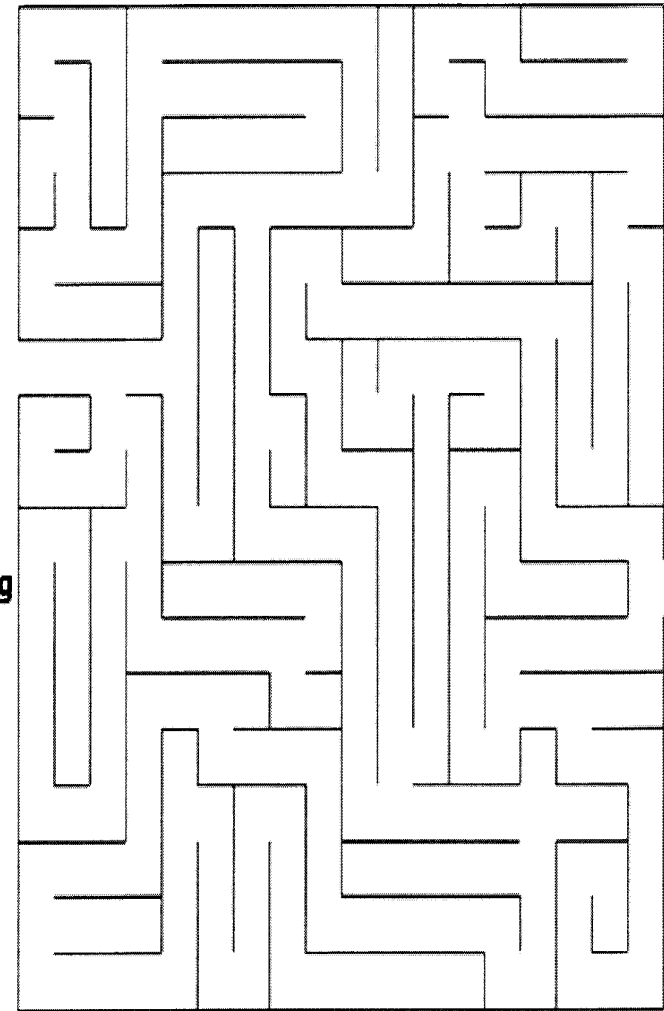
7 across) But these are written so that you will put _____ faith

16 down) in Jesus as the _____ and the Son of God. If you have faith in him, you will have true life.

Stop Doubting and Believe



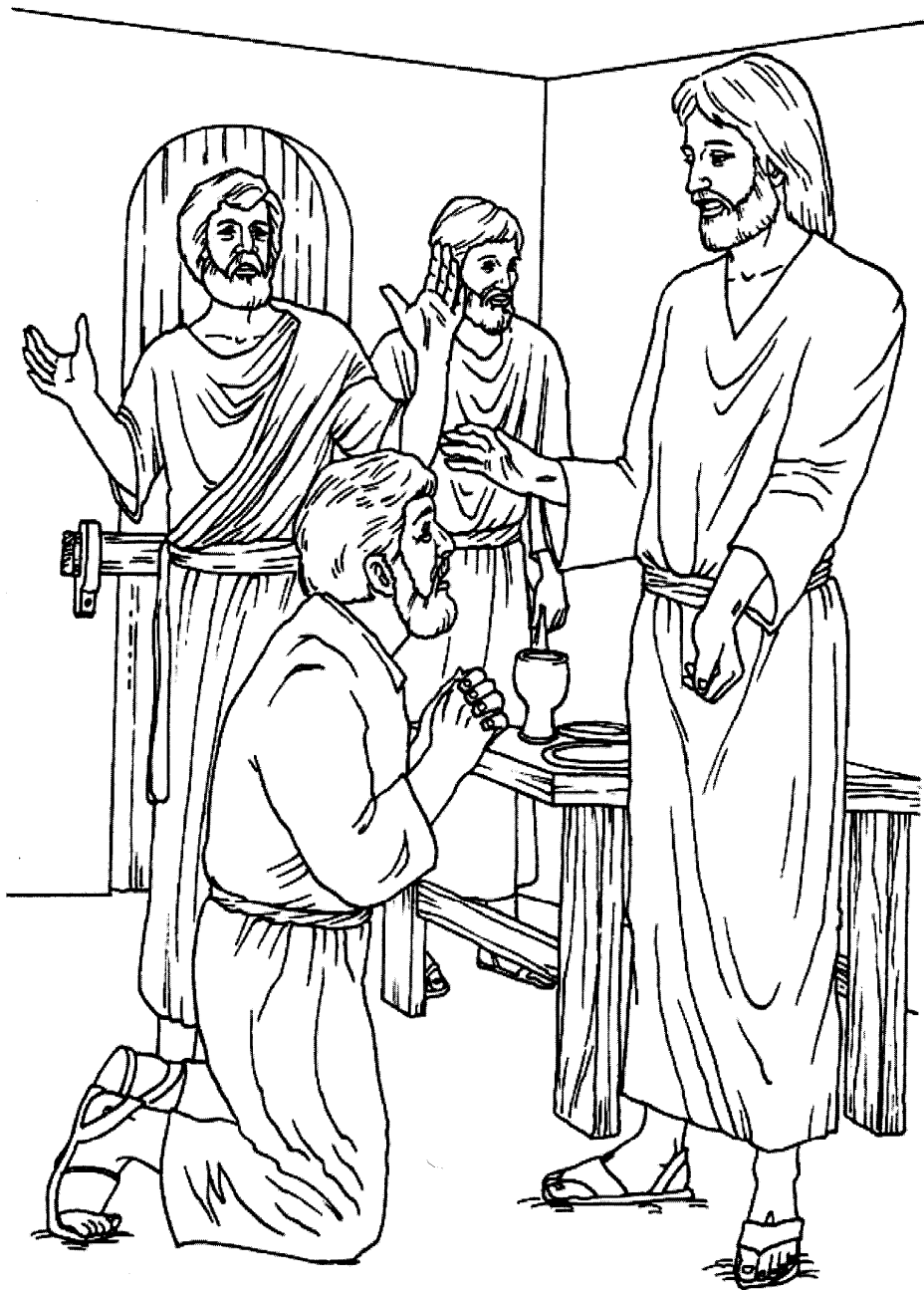
From
Doubting



To
Believing

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."

John 20:27 (NIV)



Jesus Appears!



Word Search: John 20:19-31 (CEV)



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| AFRAID | SUNDAY | SUDDENLY | SHOWED | HAPPY | JESUS |
| FATHER | SPIRIT | FORGIVE | FORGIVEN | TWIN | APPEARED |
| TOLD | SEE | TOUCH | SPEAR | BELIEVE | DISCIPLES |
| WITH | LOCKED | MIDDLE | THOMAS | FINGER | SIDE |
| DOUBTING | GOD | SEEN | FAITH | BLESSED | MIRACLES |
| WRITTEN | YOUR | MESSIAH | | | |

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