

A DOUBTER'S GUIDE TO EASTER

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Luke 24:1-11 (ESV) *But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. ² And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵ And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸ And they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹ **but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.***

Luke 24:12 (ESV) *But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and **he went home marveling** at what had happened.*

A LITTLE FAITH IN JESUS OVERCOMES GREAT DOUBTS

FAITH IN JESUS IS A PROCESS

Luke 24:36-43 (ESV) *³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "**Peace to you!**" ³⁷ But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸ And he said to them, "**Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?**" ³⁹ See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰ And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹ And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, "**Have you anything here to eat?**" ⁴² They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and he took it and ate before them.*

HOW TO GET EASTER WRONG:

MAKE IT ABOUT SOMETHING OTHER THAN AN
INTIMATE CELEBRATION WITH JESUS

John 20:24-25 (ESV) *²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, **I will never believe.**"*

YOU CANNOT LIVE ON SECONDHAND FAITH

UNLESS JESUS BECOMES PERSONAL, HE WILL BECOME POINTLESS

John 20:26-29 (ESV) *²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "**My Lord and my God!**" ²⁹ **Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."***

THE WEAKEST IN FAITH, ALONG WITH THE STRONGEST IN FAITH, GET THE SAME LOVING JESUS

THREE RESPONSES TO EASTER

1. BE AT PEACE
2. BE AMAZED!
3. MAKE A CHOICE

Luke 24:46-48 (ESV) *⁴⁶ and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things.*

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LADIES' DESSERT NIGHT | May 6th at 6 p.m.

Calling all Wave Ladies! We are getting together for a Dessert Night on May 6th, and we hope you can all be there! Bring a drink or dessert to share, and we will have a much-needed evening of fellowship with one another. Register today via the Newsletter or on our Website at wavechurchsd.com/events.

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