



No Fear but an Open Mind

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The story continues

Open your [eyes](#) and [see](#) the Risen Jesus

- His presence is shocking and beyond comprehension

The [text](#) we believe

Luke 24:36-39

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. 38 He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? 39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."

Let's give Thomas a break. Everyone was shocked and struggled with the reality that Jesus was right there with them.

Luke 24:40-43

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate it in their presence.

Jesus is ready to help us move past unbelief to full embrace of who he is.

Luke 24:44-49

He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

When our minds embrace and understand the Scriptures, things begin to make sense.

Can you see Jesus then and now?

Open your [ears](#) and [hear](#) the Risen Jesus.

- His message is unchanging

The [truth](#) we embrace.

Can you hear and accept the words of Jesus?

Open your [life](#) to [follow](#) the Risen Jesus

The [trail](#) we walk

What is your next step to walk with Jesus?