

# **THE RISEN CHRIST'S APPEARANCE TO THOMAS**

## **JOHN 20:24-31**

- I. THOMAS PROVIDES AN EXAMPLE OF RESOLUTE UNBELIEF IN ONE WHOM WE WOULD NORMALLY NEVER EXPECT TO BE AN UNBELIEVER (20:24-25)**
  - A. He Was *"One Of The Twelve"* (20:24)
  - B. He Had Been Told Repeatedly By The Other Apostles Of The Lord's Resurrection (20:25)
  - C. He Presents An Interesting Contrast With The Believing Thief On The Cross
  
- II. THOMAS' DRAMATIC CONVERSION TO SAVING FAITH (20:26-29)**
  - A. Eight Days Had Gone By Since The Lord's Previous Appearance To The Ten (20:26)
    - 1. Because Of Jewish Counting This Was Also Very Likely The First Day Of The Week
    - 2. The Lord Gave The Same Greeting He Had Previously
  - B. Thomas Is Specifically Singled Out By The Lord (20:27-29)
    - 1. The Lord Jesus Stated His Invitation Using Exactly The Same Terms Thomas Had Used In His Unbelief (20:27)
    - 2. Thomas' Response Was To Verbally Acknowledge Christ As His Personal Sovereign Deity (20:28)
    - 3. The Lord Jesus Responded Again With A Commendation And An Assurance To Future Generations (20:29)
  
- III. A CONCLUDING STATEMENT REGARDING THE PURPOSE FOR THE RECORDING OF THESE HISTORICAL FACTS (20:30-31)**