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Without A Doubt
John 20:24-29

Pastor Johnson has shared with us this Easter weekend a conversation between the disciples, Thomas and finally Jesus and Thomas. He is a realist who depends on his senses to affirm truth to his mind and heart. He is unavailable to faith at the beginning of the conversation when he says, “unless I see the nail marks in his hands....” His requirement for belief was solid experiential evidence. There are three types of people, one of which may be your position:

- A doubter committed to being a denier no matter what the evidence.
- An acceptor committed to everything, unable to discern between truth and error.
- A skeptic determined to discover the truth and once found able to turn their skepticism into belief.

Discussion Questions:

1. Looking back on your spiritual journey to Jesus, of the three above, which one most completely relays your trip?
2. What have been the times in your life when you have had doubts about your faith in Christ? What reasons can you give for this?
3. How did you deal with your doubts?
4. In your opinion, what would be your suggestions as a way to proceed with a person who has doubts in Christ and is locked in one of the above three areas?
5. How could your life in Christ be more solid and less touched by doubt?