

Marinating in God's Word: John 20:24~29

Where Jesus is there is blessing. That blessing took an entirely new direction when Jesus rose from the dead.

For further reflection on your own or in a small group, consider these questions:

- This is a story that makes you wonder how it got included. Think - one of the twelve was skeptical that Jesus had risen - really? Does this story steal credibility from the resurrection accounts, or add credibility? Why?
- Define faith. Define doubt. What sorts of things tend to build faith? What stokes doubts? When is one or the other more prominent for you?
- What did Jesus do to address Thomas' doubt? What has he done to address your doubt?
- Jesus offers his last "beatitude" here - a description of who is blessed that he presented as a contrast with Thomas. Who and what is he blessing here? How does it describe you?

Next week we will hear the Passion Story in song.