

**'The Skeptic In Us'**  
**Jesus Saves The Gospel of John**  
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**Small Group Questions -- Week of April 08, 2018**

**Topic: The Remedy for Doubt**

**Getting Started**

Doubt could be defined as the gap between our *current faith* and *perfect faith* (Jesus). In that definition...we all doubt. List off as many biblical examples of doubt as you can from both Old Testament and New Testament stories. What do these examples have in common?

**Digging Deeper**

1) How do you think we do in our church culture with being honest about our struggles with doubt? Read Matthew 3:13-15, Matthew 11:2-3 and Matthew 11:11. How do these verses inform our perspective of doubt? In what ways can we as Christians do a better job allowing people to be honest about their doubts?

2) Pastor Glen quoted Dr. Gary Habermas this past Sunday who said all forms of doubt will inevitably fall into one of three categories. Talk about each. Give examples and ways you personally have experienced and overcome them.

a) Factual Doubt

b) Emotional Doubt

c) World View Doubt (Volitional)

3) Read John 20:24-25. Thomas has been with Jesus for three years. Talk about the kind of Miracles Thomas has personally witnessed from Jesus.

- What was possibly honorable about Thomas' skepticism regarding the reports about Jesus' resurrection?
- What are some ways you or people you know have embraced emotional experiences in gullibility that were disguised as faith?
- In what ways was Thomas' doubt a result of massive religious disappointment?
- Have you seen/experienced this in your life?

4) Read John 20:26-28.

- What new meaning did Jesus bring with his words, '***Peace be with you?***'
- What did Thomas' words, "***My Lord and my God***" mean?
- How does calibrating our hearts on Jesus being the Messiah help with our doubts?
- What are some other ways you deal with doubt?

**Making it Real**

Spend time praying for each other