

## ***“From Doubt to Belief”***

John 20:24-31

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- A. Believing in the \_\_\_\_\_ is difficult.
- B. The story of Lieutenant David Steeves who walked out of the Sierra Mountains \_\_\_\_\_ days after his \_\_\_\_\_ disappeared.
1. He had no way to prove that what happened to him was \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. Today I want us to experience the Resurrection of Jesus through the eyes of a \_\_\_\_\_.
1. His name is \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. The factors that were creating a basis for his disbelief are the same things that can affect our faith as well.
1. He was experiencing \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. He was experiencing \_\_\_\_\_ with God.
    - a. Our \_\_\_\_\_ with God is often \_\_\_\_\_.
    - b. We set ourselves up for a fall when we expect something from God that he never \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. He was experiencing a \_\_\_\_\_ from God’s people.
    - a. Being together as Christ’s community isn’t just something we \_\_\_\_\_ do, it is something we \_\_\_\_\_ do. (Heb. 10:24-25; 3:13)
- E. Important truth: Jesus was willing to answer Thomas’ \_\_\_\_\_ and relieve his \_\_\_\_\_. (John 20:26-29)
- F. What evidence do we have to help us turn doubters into believers?
1. The \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. The \_\_\_\_\_ of those who saw him \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
  4. \_\_\_\_\_ lives.
- G. The resurrection of Jesus is so important because...
1. It means Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ he claimed to be.
  2. It means Jesus has the \_\_\_\_\_ he claimed to have.
  3. It means Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ what he promised to do.
  4. It means that my past is \_\_\_\_\_.
  5. It means that my present \_\_\_\_\_ can be managed.
  6. It means that my future hope is \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer Key: A. unbelievable. B. 54, jet. B.1. true. C. skeptic, Thomas. D.1. despair. D.2. disappointment. D.2.a. disappointment, misplaced. D.2.b. promised. D.3. distance. D.3.a. can, must. E. questions, doubts. F.1. empty, tomb. F.2. testimony, alive. F.3. Word, God. F.4. changed, lives. G.1. who. G.2. power. G.3. did. G.4. forgiven. G.5. problems. G.6. secure.