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John 20:19-29

This Changes Everything: The Keys to Unlocking God's Peace

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## **SUMMARY**

The fact that Jesus came back in bodily form not only promises us hope to be with Him again, but it emboldens us to live on mission for Him now! He is alive and brings us power, peace, and purpose.

## **REFERENCES**

- Matthew 16:18–19
- Matthew 18:18
- ☐ Luke 24:48–49

INTRODUCTION	
What do you see? What stands out?	
DISCUSSION	
■ Read the full passage. Pause and consider. Let your imagination picture these events. What do you think it would be like to be there?	
■ In verse 19, we see Jesus enter the room and say something. Of all the words He could have chosen to say, why might these have been the words He spoke? How might that relate to you today?	
■ In verse 20, do you think the word "glad" captures the moment? Why or why not? How would you respond?	
■ In verse 21, Jesus says that He is sending them. In what ways are His presence and words important for them to experience if they are going to be the ones who build the church?	
■ Read verses 24 and 25. What do you make of Thomas's response? Is he being hard-hearted or merely what's to verify the truth?	
Read verses 26-28. What do you see in Jesus and hear in His voice? What do you see here regarding His heart towards us?	
Read verse 29. How does this apply to you today? Is it difficult to believe without direct, empirical evidence? What evidence do you have for your belief?	
THIS WEEK:	
Pray through my fears, asking God to reveal where I am sinning trying to keep or get something I desire more than Him.	
Read 1 John 4:18–19 and write down the cause of fear and the solution to fear.	
■ Memorize Psalm 34:4.	
■ Make a list of where I see Christ's power in my life, and share it with a friend.	