

Boxed in by Doubt

John 20:24-29

Introduction

“O God, where are you, where are you!”

“I’ve lost God. How can I stand and preach?”

- I. Doubts tend to occur when. . .
 - a. When we have a different timetable than God.
 - b. When we face overwhelming tasks.
 - c. When God doesn’t meet our expectations of what we thought he was going to do.
 - d. When your life is threatened.
 - e. When your loved ones suffer.
 - f. When you attempt the extraordinary and fail.
 - g. When your heart is broken by grief.
 - i. Thomas is courageous – John 11:16.
 - ii. Pretty unfair label – I prefer “Honest Thomas.”
- II. What are we going to do when we are boxed in by doubt? A couple of key points:
 - a. It is natural to _____.
 - i. This doesn’t make you less spiritual, it makes you human!
 - ii. You join a host of God’s people who have wrestled with doubt.
 - b. God _____ our time of doubting.
 - i. There is no condemnation put on Thomas.
 - ii. What if I ask that question?
 - c. God _____ us at our very _____ of doubt.
 - i. Same room, a week later.
 - ii. In his own time and his own way, God will meet us.
 - d. Overcoming doubt requires a _____.
 - i. Jesus to Thomas (John 20:27), “Stop doubting and believe.”
 - ii. Conway writes, “It’s either despair or God, nothing in between. My family and I decided we are going to hold on to God.”

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CHURCH of CHRIST

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Sunday Worship (10:00 a.m.)

Sunday Bible Study (9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday Bible Study (6:30)

Life Groups (Various Locations)

Ministers:

Doug Austin & Michael Nelson

Elders:

Davis Bennett - Tim Dunnahoo

Wayne Fenter - Lee Rogers

Kent Taylor - David West

Elder Chairman of the Month:

Kent Taylor

OUR MISSION

*To seek and save the lost through
evangelism, benevolence, and edification.*

-Luke 19:10

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The Encourager

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Welcome: Tim Dunnahoo

Song Leader: Wayne Fenter

Songs: 483 – Peace, Perfect Peace

489 – I Know That My Redeemer Lives

504 – It Is Well with My Soul

Communion Song: 151 – Thomas’ Song

Communion Thought: Michael Nelson

Song: 883 – O Heart Bowed Down with Sorrow

Sermon: Doug Austin – “Boxed in by Doubt”

Invitation Song: 853 – Trust and Obey (vs. 1 & 3)

Closing Song: 392 – Sing and Be Happy (vs. 1 & 3)

Closing Prayer: Michael O’Neil

Sunday Morning Bible study (9:00 a.m.)

How Did We Get the Bible? – Michael Nelson (Rm. 25)

Sermon on the Mount – Doug Austin (Rm. 27)

“Now That I’m a Christian” – Oscar H, Quinton F, Jesse M (Small F.)

Revelation (Spanish Class) – Mynor Vasquez (Rm. 22)

Jr. High/High School – Thomas Beard (Teen Room – Rm. 26)

JL 1st – 3rd grade – various classrooms, look for red flag

JL 4th – 6th grade – various classrooms, look for blue flag

4’s, 5’s & Kinder – Amy Joy (Rm. 12)

2’s & 3’s – Rachel & Mattie McCarty (Rm. 3)

Nursery up through age 2 – Various teachers (Rm. 1)



Visitors, please scan this QR code
and tell us about yourself!

Prayer Requests

- **Georgan Moran** remains hospitalized with pneumonia.
- **Sharon Carbone** will undergo surgery on Tuesday, April 26th to correct a circulation problem in her left leg.
- **Cecilia Contreras** is set to have knee replacement surgery in Artesia on Wednesday, April 27th.
- **Jacob Bergman, Diana Bergman's grandson**, will undergo surgery on Friday to remove a cyst on his femur.

Continue in Prayer

Rosemary O'Neal, Anita Zuniga, Clara O'Neil, Wanda Walker, Sam & Pat Gentry, Cheryl Ringheimer, Helen Aston, Elaine Bell, Kathleen Sherman, Elaine Britt, April Puckett, Pablo & Cecilia Contreras, Rosemary O'Neal

Calling All Campers!!

Here are some upcoming camp dates for you to mark on your calendar!

- ✓ **Summer Excitement** (8 – 12th grade) – June 19th – 24th
- ✓ **Camp Champion** (6 – 8th grade) – June 26th – July 1st
- ✓ **Mountain View** (3 – 6th grade) – July 10th – 16th
- ✓ **Mountain View** (6 – 12th grade) – July 17th – 23rd

For questions or to get registered, please see Michael!

Virtual Ladies Retreat

Ladies, you are cordially invited to participate in a study surrounding Jesus' Encounters with the Pharisees. The study will take place on May 14th from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and lunch will be provided. Additional details will follow soon!

Those Scheduled to Serve

Deacons on Duty: Phil Sexton, Dale Rogers

Men on Duty: Alan Warboys, Rodney Rogers, Mac Rogers, Mark Pantuso

Life@CCR

- **If you would like to donate to help victims of the fire in the Ruidoso area**, we are referring people to donate on the Community Foundation of Lincoln County webpage (cfolc.org). These funds will go directly to help those families displaced by the fire.
- Please join us next Wednesday evening following Recharge to hear **Josh Austin** update us on his work at the **Salt River Church of Christ in Mesa, AZ**. Josh is a missionary that we help support who works on the Navajo Reservation in the Mesa, AZ area. To read a short bio about Josh and his family, go to saltriverchurchofchrist.com/josh-austin.
- **Next week's Recharge meal will feature breakfast for dinner**. We will have pancakes, waffles & sausage with lots of choices for toppings. Hope you can make it!
- **We have begun making preparations for Senior Sunday!** If your child is graduating from high school this year, please inform the office so that we can honor them on this special day.

Servants Among Us:

When it comes to servanthood, we are blessed with many who share of their time & talents! Just recently **Patricia Seik** (our master florist) refashioned several of our existing floral bouquets that needed a facelift. To view some of her handy work, be sure to take note of the beautiful arrangement in front of the pulpit this Sunday. In addition, our community garden has begun to take shape, thanks to the talents of **Caitlin Short (and daughter Desi), Kelli Hays (and daughter Ruby)**, along with their helpers, **Lee & Liz Rogers, Lindal Nelson and Michael, Sabrina & Madalyn Nelson**. Thanks so much to these individuals for their efforts

For the Record

Sunday/Wednesday Bible Class.....108/134
 Sunday AM.....262
 Weekly Contribution.....\$6,028

Week @ a Glance
Celebrations & Happenings

24th	Bible Class @ 9 a.m. A.M. worship @ 10 a.m., also available on 106.5 FM, Facebook Live & YouTube.
25th	Bobbie Doyle, Emily Taylor & Rocio Baeza's b-day.
26th	Rebecca Porte's b-day.
27th	Ladies Bible Class @ 10 a.m. Recharge meal @ 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Bible Class @ 6:30 p.m. Laura Brown's b-day.
28th	Patti Rogers' b-day.
29th	June McCormack & Landon Bennett's b-day.

Study Guide

Text: John 20:24-29

1. Have you ever gone to your room and locked the door? Why?
2. How does Jesus deal with Thomas' doubt?
3. What is significant about the way Thomas responds?
4. Who does Thomas remind you of in this story: a science teacher, an agnostic, a person with honest doubts, yourself?
5. What doubts or questions about God have you struggled with?
6. Why do we doubt. . . .How can we deal with the doubt of any or all of these things?
 - a. When we have a different timetable than God?
 - b. When we face overwhelming tasks?
 - c. When God doesn't meet our expectations?
 - d. When your life is threatened?
 - e. When your loved ones suffer?
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