

The question is not “Did He raise from the dead?” – it is “Are we alive with Him?”

Intro - John 20:19-27

Vs. 24 – Thomas was looking for a witness. Jesus takes extraordinary measures to make sure you believe.

Vs. 26 – Christ demonstrated His mercy

Key Scripture - Romans 12:12 “Rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer

3 Key “Vital Signs” of a Christian

1. Rejoicing – “full of cheer”. Regardless of circumstances, we find great joy within us that flows out as living water to those around us.
2. Patience- “to remain under”. When everyone else quits, we do not. Everyone has trials and tribulations. Are you willing to remain under until Jesus removes them?
3. Steadfast in prayer – As a baby clings to it’s mother in time of trouble, so should we cling to the cross. “Abba Father” – No matter what hits you, your default response should be to cry out to your God in Heaven.