

John 20:24-31

<sup>24</sup> Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

<sup>26</sup> Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>31</sup> but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

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*After the talk today, there will be a short Q&A session, time permitting*

# EVIDENCE THAT DEMANDS A VERDICT John 20:24-31 Alan Johns

## 1. The Means of Belief

a. Seeing is believing

b. Not seeing is believing

## 2. The Motivation for Belief

## 3. The Meaning of Belief

Next Week:  
Series: Why bother with God?  
Title: Hope for the future (Hebrews 6:13-20)  
Speaker: Marcus Nodder

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Alan, a former sceptic, is a barrister specialising in property litigation and a part-time judge.