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Appearance

BIG IDEA

We can believe without seeing.

KEY VERSE

"You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who believe without seeing me."

John 20:29b (NLT)

LEADER TIP

Highlight that even those closest to Jesus had doubts—and doubts are okay! Like Thomas, we can take our doubts to Jesus.

1 | Hangout

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Discuss:
 - Have you ever found it difficult to believe in God because you can't see him?
 - What helps remind you that God is who he says he is?



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2 | Hear

SUPPLIES

- Bibles

INSTRUCTIONS

- Make sure everyone has access to a Bible.
- Guide the students to look up John 20:19–29.
- Review the God Story together.
- Discuss:
 - What do you think it was like for Jesus' disciples when he showed up?
 - Consider what Jesus said to the disciples. What stands out to you? Why?
- Read John 20:29.
- Highlight that Jesus calls us blessed!
- Discuss:
 - How does being called blessed make you feel?
 - Have you ever considered the fact that Jesus had us in mind when he was on earth?
- Flip over to John 17:20–23.
- Read the verses together.
- Explain that this is just before Jesus' death on the cross, and he is talking about us again.
- Discuss:
 - What does Jesus say in this passage?
 - What does it mean for us?

3 | Huddle

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- Discuss:
 - What are the major barriers or distractions that cause you to doubt the existence of God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit)?
 - Have you ever been afraid or nervous to share your doubts? Why or why not?
- Emphasize that your group is a safe space to share and be honest.
- Invite the students to describe where they are in their journeys.
- Pray together about what the students have shared and discussed.