

## WEEK 4: Jesus Appears

**Big Idea:** We can believe without seeing.

### HANGOUT

1. Discuss:
  - What does it mean to doubt something? (not to believe or trust it)
  - Have you ever doubted something you heard? What was it?
  - Do you think it's okay to talk to Jesus about our doubts and questions? (yes, it is—we can talk to Jesus about anything!)
  - Did you know that some of Jesus' best friends doubted him after his resurrection?
2. Let the kids know that today we'll be talking about how Jesus responded to those doubts.

Watch this week's video on the Kids and Youth playlist at [youtube.com/themeetinghouse](https://youtube.com/themeetinghouse)

### HEAR

3. Look up and read John 20:19-29.
4. Discuss:
  - What did Jesus say when he appeared to the disciples in verse 19? (“peace be with you”)
  - What does it mean for peace to be with someone? What did Jesus show the disciples to help them understand that he really had risen from the dead? (verse 20)
  - Why did Thomas doubt when the other disciples said they saw Jesus? (verse 24)
  - How did Jesus respond to Thomas's doubts? (verses 26-27)
5. Ask someone to read John 20:29 out loud.
6. Ask: What does Jesus say about people who believe in him without seeing him? (they're blessed)

### HUDDLE

7. If possible, invite the kids to share communion together using water or juice and crackers or bread. Explain that communion is something we share as a church family to remember that Jesus died and then beat death. He gives us that forever-life too when we say yes to him!
8. Pray together and thank Jesus for all he has done and who he is! Ask Jesus to help us believe without seeing and thank him that he answers all of our doubts.



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