



Lesson #4-29

John 11:1-44

Key Verse:

Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.

John 20:29

The Point:

The risen Messiah calls his disciples by name and sends them out into the world, so that the world may have life.

Unit Theme (April 1—April 22):

Good News Spreads

Believe It or Not

Sharing unbelievable stories.

You will need:

- † Internet-connected device

Preparation:

1. Do an Internet search using the phrase “weird but true facts.” Write down your five favorite facts.

Instructions:

1. **Today we will talk about Thomas, who was called “the twin.” Let’s break into groups based on how many siblings you have (0, 1, 2, 3+) and introduce yourselves to anyone you don’t know.** Adjust groups as necessary, so that each group has between four to six people. Young children who are not comfortable leaving their families should sit at a table

with someone in their family.

2. **Thomas had a difficult time believing that his friends had seen the risen Jesus. I have some facts about the world around us that are also difficult to believe.** Share the facts you prepared.
3. **In your groups, please discuss these questions:**
 - Which facts are hardest for you to believe?
 - What would it take to get you to believe these things?
 - Would you believe your friends if they told you one of these things, or would you need to see it for yourself?
 - How you experienced something so amazing that others did not believe you?