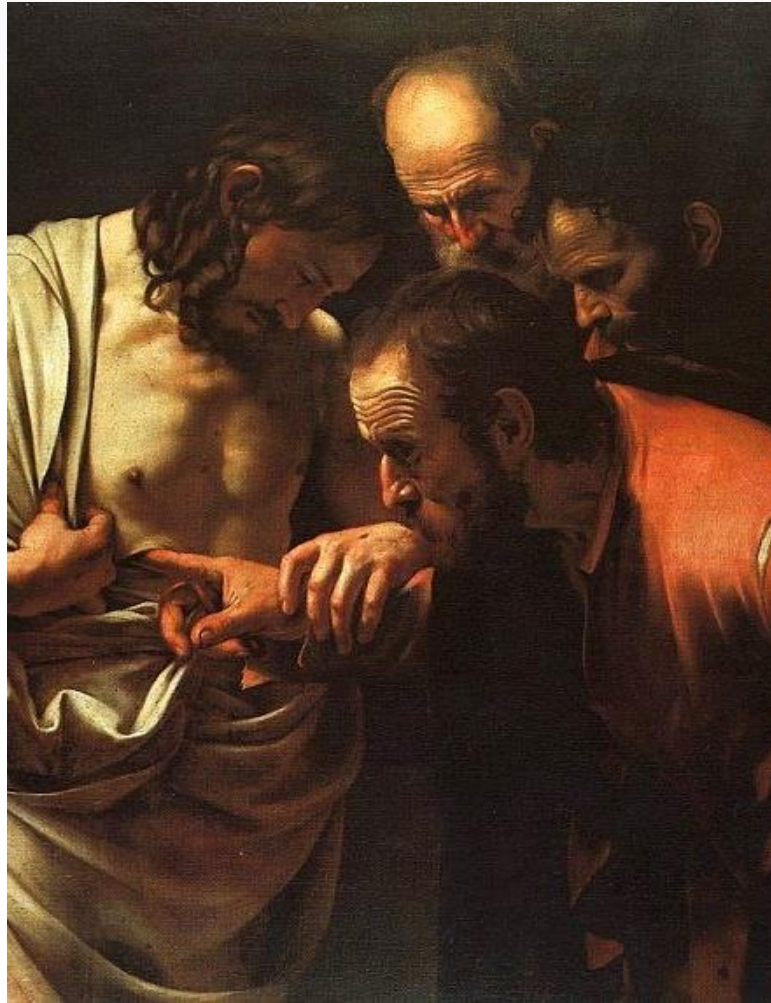




“Do not be unbelieving, but believing.” – Jn. 20:27

Faith and the Resurrection

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Understanding faith after the Resurrection

What change did this bring to the lives of the apostles?

Faith and the Resurrection

- Faith during the life of the Lord Jesus
 - “This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.” (Jn . 2:11)
 - “Then many of the Jews who had come to Mary, and had seen the things Jesus did, believed in Him.” (Jn. 11:45)



Faith and the Resurrection

- Faith during the life of the Lord Jesus
 - “Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world.” (Jn. 4:42)



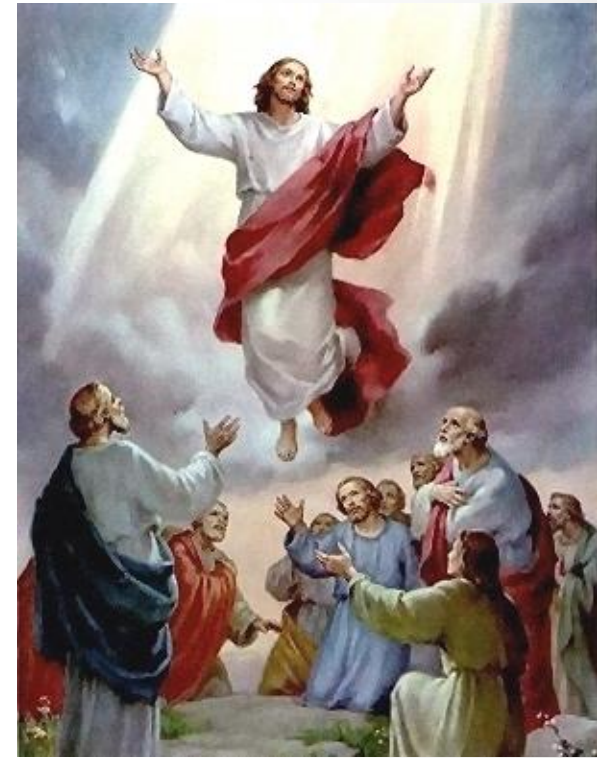
Faith and the Resurrection

- After the Crucifixion
 - Public crucifixion, private resurrection
 - The Lord's appearance to Mary Magdalene
 - The Disciples on the road to Emmaus
 - "Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight." (Lk. 24:31)



Change in the lives of the Apostles

- **The meaning of the presence of the Lord**
 - Physical form
 - After the confirmation of their faith
- “And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy...” (Lk. 24:52)
- “...that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith...” (Eph. 3:17)
- “I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” (Matt. 28:20)



Change in the lives of the Apostles

- **How they faced hardship and persecution**
- Before confirming their faith
 - Locked themselves in the Upper Room
- After confirming their faith
 - “So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name.” (Acts 5:41)



Change in the lives of the Apostles

- **Change the meaning of their lives**
- Before confirming their faith
 - Simply followers of the Lord
- After confirming their faith
 - St. Peter



Change in the lives of the Apostles

- **Change the meaning of their lives**
- Gave them His authority
- “And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.’”
(Jn. 20:22-23)

Change in the lives of the Apostles

- **Change the meaning of their lives**
- Gave them His authority
- “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you...” (Matt. 28:18-20)

Summary

- The Lord Christ elevated their faith
- Lead to change in their life
 - The meaning of the Lord's presence
 - How they face hardship and persecution
 - Meaning of their life