

Thomas

The Twelve · The Twelve Apostles

Thomas, called Didymus (twin), demanded empirical proof of Christ's resurrection yet made the highest christological confession when convinced: 'My Lord and my God.' His willingness to die with Christ (John 11:16) showed devotion; his doubt demonstrated humanity.

Note: Christ's gentle rebuke—"Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed"—addresses all subsequent generations who must believe without physical sight. Tradition holds Thomas evangelized as far as India.

Key Verses

John 20:25

The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

John 20:28

And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

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