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# The Prosperity Gospel

JOHN 20:19-31

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John 20:19-31 | The Prosperity Gospel: How Jesus Makes Your Life Better

## Discussion Questions

*Community Groups meet throughout the week and play a crucial role in our response to the preaching of the word. These groups gather to discuss the following questions as we seek to apply the sermon in community with one another. Please visit [compassntx.org](http://compassntx.org) to join a small group near you.*

1. Read **John 20:19**. What are you afraid of? What causes you to lose sleep? What are you doubting about God in that fear, and what Biblical truth counteracts that doubt? How can you use these truths in your daily life to combat the fears you often feel?
2. Read **John 20:24-25**. What aspects of your faith have you found it most difficult to believe? What is there about God or your Christian worldview that causes you to question or feel a measure of skepticism? What have you done to address these areas of doubt or skepticism?
3. Read **John 20:30-31**. Why might John have placed his purpose statement for the book after these two encounters between Jesus and his disciples? What are some of the practical ways we should be experiencing eternal life even now rather than simply anticipating its realities after we die?
4. Scenario: Someone comes to you and tells you they've been looking into Christianity, and since they know you're a Christian, they want to ask you how your life has gotten better since you became a Christian. How would you answer? What has improved about your life that would appeal to someone who isn't yet saved?

## Recommended Reading

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- *Evidence that Demands a Verdict* - Sean and Josh McDowell
- *Faith Alone - The Doctrine of Justification: What the Reformers Taught and Why it Still Matters* - Tom Schreiner
- *Anxious for Nothing: God's Cure for the Cares of Your Soul* - John MacArthur
- *Courage: Fighting Fear with Fear* - Wayne Mack
- *The Glory of Christ (Puritan Paperbacks)* - John Owen



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