



VER PARA CREER

SEEING IS BELIEVING

lección 14

LA GRAN IDEA

THE BIG IDEA

Nosotros, como Tomás, a veces tenemos que ver para creer.

Thomas, one of Jesus disciples, needed to see to believe that Jesus had really risen from the dead.

VERSÍCULOS CLAVES

KEY VERSES

Juan 20:24-30

John 20:24-30

VERSÍCULO PARA MEMORIZAR

MEMORY VERSE

Juan 20:29

“Jesús le dijo: Porque me has visto, Tomás, creíste; bienaventurados los que no vieron, y creyeron.”

John 20:29

“Then Jesus said to him, ‘Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.’”

• PREPARATION & MATERIALS •

BIBLE OBJECT LESSON

- Dollar bill
- Two large paper clips
- Lesson script
- Practice the paper clip trick

GAME

- A list of materials needed for the games
- Blindfolds (bandanas or other pieces of cloth)
- 4 chairs, cones, soda bottles or other obvious place marker to use as gate posts.

CRAFT

- Experience Mission provides scissors, hole punch, stapler, staples, rulers
- Large colored paper clips
- Pipe cleaners in various colors
- Small Wiggle Eyes
- Thin sticks (such as skewer)
- Craft glue (such as quick dry Tacky Glue) or Glue Dots

WORKSHEETS

- Photocopies of Coloring Sheet (1 per child)





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Do you find it easy to believe what someone tells you, even if what they tell you seems impossible? For example, suppose I said to you, "I am going to take these two paper clips and connect them without touching them with my hands." Would that be easy for you to believe? It doesn't make sense, does it? How can I possibly connect these two paper clips while not touching them with my hands? You might say, "I'd have to see it to believe it." Well, if I show you and you see it with your own eyes, you would have to say, "I believe it," wouldn't you? After all, seeing is believing.

OK, first I am going to take this dollar bill and fold it into thirds. Next, I will take one paper clip and clip the top section of the dollar to the middle section. Now I will take the other paper clip and clip the bottom section to the middle section. Finally, I will slowly pull on the two ends of the dollar bill. Watch what happens.

Wow! That is really cool, isn't it? The two paper clips are connected! Now that you have seen it, do you believe it? Sometimes we must see something before we believe it, don't we?

On the evening of the first Sunday after Jesus had been crucified, his disciples were together in a locked room. They were afraid that those who had crucified Jesus would also want to put them to death. Suddenly, Jesus appeared there in the locked room with the disciples. It was hard to believe, but they saw him and Jesus showed them his wounds in his hands and his side, so they knew it was him.

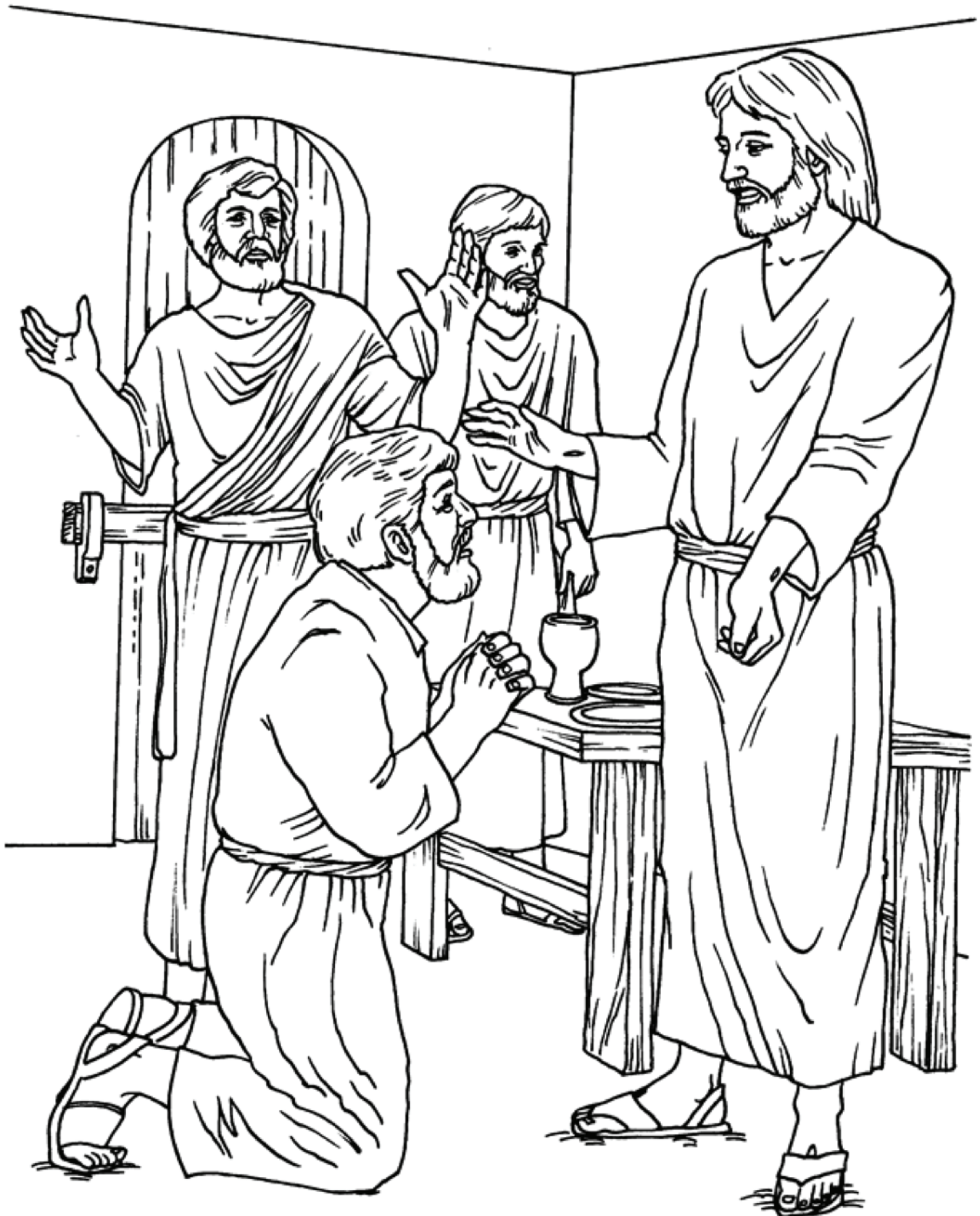
One of the disciples whose name was Thomas was not with the others when Jesus appeared to them. When they told Thomas that they had seen Jesus, he did not believe them. He had seen him crucified and buried, how could he be alive? Thomas said, "Unless I see the wound in his side and put my finger in the holes where the nails were in his hands, I will not believe it!"

A week later, the disciples were in the locked room again and this time Thomas was with them. Again, Jesus came and stood among the disciples. Jesus, said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas fell on his knees and answered Jesus, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

You and I have never seen Jesus with our own eyes. The question is, will we be a doubter, or will we be one of those who Jesus said were blessed because they believe, even though they have not seen?

Dear Father, help us to believe in our heart the truths we find in your Holy Word, even though we have not seen them with our eyes. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen





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¿Se te hace fácil creer lo que alguien te dice, aún cuando lo que te dice parece ser imposible? Por ejemplo: supón que te digo: "Voy a unir estos dos sujeta papeles sin tocarlos". ¿Sería esto fácil para creerlo? Parece no tener sentido, ¿no es así? ¿Cómo podría unir estos dos sujeta papeles sin tocarlos? Bueno...si te lo enseño y lo ves con tus propios ojos, tendrías que decir: "Te creo", ¿cierto? Después de todo, ver es creer.

Bien, en primer lugar doblaré este dólar en tres partes. Luego sujetaré la parte superior del dólar con la sección del medio con uno de los sujeta papeles. Ahora sujetaré la parte de abajo de la sección del medio con el otro sujeta papel. Finalmente, halaré poco a poco las dos extremidades del billete. Observa lo que ocurre.

¡Esto es tremendo! ¡Los dos sujeta papeles se unieron! Ahora que lo has visto, ¿lo crees? En ocasiones tenemos que ver algo para creerlo.

En la tarde del primer domingo después que Jesús había sido crucificado, sus discípulos estuvieron juntos en un salón cerrado con llave. Tenían miedo de que aquellos que habían crucificado a Jesús desearan matarles a ellos también. De pronto Jesús apareció en medio de ellos a pesar de que el salón estaba cerrado. Era difícil creerlo, pero ellos le vieron y Jesús les enseñó las heridas de sus manos y de su costado, así que sabían que era él.

Uno de sus discípulos, que se llamaba Tomás, no estaba con los otros cuando Jesús se les apareció. Cuando ellos le contaron que habían visto a Jesús, Tomás no les creyó. Él había visto cómo Jesús había sido crucificado y sepultado, ¿cómo podría estar vivo? Tomás dijo: "Mientras no vea yo las marcas de los clavos en sus manos, y meta mi dedo en las marcas y mi mano en su costado, no lo creeré".

Una semana más tarde, los discípulos estaban encerrados nuevamente y en esta ocasión Tomás estaba con ellos. Jesús apareció nuevamente en medio de ellos. Jesús le dijo a Tomás: "Pon tu dedo aquí y mira mis manos. Acerca tu mano y métela en mi costado. Y no dudes, sino cree".

Tomás se arrodilló y le dijo: "¡Señor mío y Dios mío!"

Jesús le contestó: "Porque me has visto, has creído, dichosos los que no han visto y sin embargo creen".

Tú y yo nunca hemos visto a Jesús con nuestros propios ojos. La pregunta es si seremos de los que dudan o uno de aquellos de los cuales Jesús dijo que serían dichosos porque creyeron a pesar de no haber visto.

Querido Padre, ayúdanos a creer en nuestros corazones aquellas verdades que encontramos en tu Santa Palabra aún cuando no las hayamos visto con nuestros ojos.



• CRAFT •

OBJECTIVE: WACKY BOOKMARKS

Make a silly bookmark.

DIRECTIONS

- Cut pipe cleaners to lengths of your choice.
- Bend three pieces around the end of a large paper clip. Glue in place.
- For curly hair wrap pipe cleaner around thin stick
- Stick on Wiggle eyes.

MATERIALS PROVIDED BY EM

- Scissors, staplers, rulers, hole punches

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Large colored paper clips
- Pipe cleaners in various colors
- Small Wiggle Eyes
- Craft glue (such as quick dry Tacky Glue) or Glue Dots

EXAMPLES



• GAME •

OBJECTIVE: GATE GUARDIAN

Teams try to get past the opponent's gate without being touched by the gate guard.

MATERIALS BROUGHT BY TEAM

- Blindfolds (bandannas or other pieces of cloth)
- 4 chairs, cones, soda bottles or other obvious place marker to use as gate posts.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Divide the group into two even teams
- Set up two "gates" by placing the chairs (or other marker) about 6 feet apart.
- Choose one person from each team to be the blind gate guardian. Place blindfold on the guardians and set them between their gate posts.
- Line up each team across from their opponent's gate
- One at a time players attempt to cross through their opponent's gate without being touched gate guardian.
- If they are touched by the blind gate guardian they must go to the back of their team line and wait for another try
- First team to get their whole team across wins
- Options: 1) Teams may help their blind gate guardian by telling him where side the players are attempting to cross. 2) Teams may not help their blind gate guardian and must not give any hints.

HOW TO CONNECT TWO PAPER CLIPS WITHOUT TOUCHING THEM

This is a pretty cool trick. It works, it requires minimal materials and no setup, and it is super easy to do. Amaze your friends by connecting two paper clips without touching either one.

1. Obtain two paper clips and a piece of paper.
A dollar bill is about the right size, or you can use any long, narrow piece of paper.



2. Fold the piece of paper into thirds so it looks like a flattened "Z."
You should have a top layer, a middle layer, and a bottom layer.



3. Clip top layer and the middle layer together from the side, as shown.
Put the clip towards the loose end.





CONNECTING PAPER CLIPS (CONT.)

4. Clip middle and bottom layers together with the other paper clip.
Put the paper clip towards the loose end.



5. Pull the ends of the paper apart.
If you've clipped the paper clips together correctly, they will move towards each other.



The paper clips will join together and pop off the paper.



WATCH A "HOW-TO" VIDEO: www.youtube.com/watch?v=CEbx1aW7r3M