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# **Introduction:**

**How were Jesus' disciples transformed in just 50 days from men who were scattered and in a state of despair, into a unified whole who were prepared to receive the Holy Spirit and transform the world?**

**Text: John 20:19-29**

**On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!”**

After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

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Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

**And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit.**

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**If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven.”**



**Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came.**

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**So the other disciples told him,**

**“We have seen the Lord!”**



**But he said to them, “Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”**

**A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them.**

Though the doors were locked,  
Jesus came and stood among them  
and said, “Peace be with you!”

Then he 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 said to him, “My Lord and my God!”**

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**Then Jesus told him, “Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.”**

John 20:19-29

Today, let's begin to examine three things:

1. Where they **BEGAN** on Easter Sunday.

2. Where they **ENDED** on the Day of Pentecost.

3. What they **OVERCAME** in taking this spiritual **JOURNEY.**

Where they **BEGAN**:

1. **AFRAID** and in **HIDING**.

2. **CONFUSED**.

3. Lacking **DIRECTION** and  
**PURPOSE**.

4. Alternating between **HOPE**  
and **DOUBT**.

Where they **ENDED**:

1. **UNIFIED**.

2. Full of Godly **ZEAL**.

3. Boldly speaking in the streets of  
Jerusalem with both **FAITH** and  
**PURPOSE**.



What they overcame:

1. **SELF-RELIANCE.**

2. **INDIVIDUALISM.**

3. **ENVY.**

4. **FEAR.**

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Here are four primary takeaways from today's message:

1. You can **GROW** far more than you probably believe you can **GROW!**

2. You can **OVERCOME** far more things than you probably believe you can **OVERCOME!**

Here are four primary takeaways  
from today's message:

3. You can be

**TRANSFORMED** far more  
quickly than you probably believe  
you can be **TRANSFORMED!**



Here are four primary takeaways  
from today's message:

4. The key to **LIFE** To

**TRANSFORMATION** is a

decision to make a

**FOCUSED** search for the Holy

Spirit.



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