John 20 Witness and Written Purpose Record

Follow the testimony through John's stated purpose.

Read what the account records and avoid adding an action or judging a child's heart.

Hypothetical example: a family notices Thomas' absence, reads the later invitation and confession, distinguishes the invitation from an unrecorded touch, and returns to John's stated purpose before answering a child's question.

01 Witness and report

Notice who has seen and who has heard.

Passage read together

Witnesses at the first appearance here

Report given to Thomas

02 Later account

Use the actions and words actually recorded.

Jesus' invitation to Thomas

Thomas' confession

John's stated purpose for writing

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03 Child's question

Keep the question more precise than a label.

Question the child actually asked

Verse that directly answers part of it

Detail the selected passage leaves unstated

04 Further explanation

Carry the adult follow-up responsibly.

Question for a church teacher or further reading

Explanation checked against the account

Line the family will return to together