

## The Evidence in the Signs John 20:30-31

After the resurrection there were many who wanted to see the evidence of the risen Lord. Thomas needed to see the scars in the hands and side of Jesus.

Today there are masses of people who also want a sign to prove that Jesus is the Savior. They say how do you know your religion is the right one?

John, in the writing of this Gospel wanted to provide the evidence that if accepted proves the veracity of Christ the Savior.

**1 Corinthians 1:21-23** For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling block, and unto the Greeks foolishness;

Everyone is required to make a decision about Jesus according to wisdom and signs. (Intelligence and indications) These are provided through the historical accuracy of the Gospels which include signs and truth.

We are reminded throughout the Bible that our Lord assists us in the understanding of the signs and truth by the help of the Holy Spirit. Through the convicting (convincing) power of the Holy Spirit we are led to believe.

1. There were many signs that Jesus performed that are not written in this Gospel. Vs.30
  - A. John wrote of the most notable miracles that Jesus performed.
  - B. There were other miracles recorded in the other Gospels which lend themselves toward belief.
  - C. There were likely events and moments that are not recorded anywhere.
2. There are many signs Jesus performed recorded in this Gospel. Vs.31a
  - A. John focused on seven different miracles. (signs)
  - B. These seven miracles are recorded specifically for their ability to help us believe.
  - C. These seven signs do not include the resurrection which is a sign unto itself.
3. These are the signs that prove the Gospels to be the way of salvation. Vs.31b
  - A. These signs confirm the prudence in believing the Gospel truth.
  - B. This belief then gives way to eternal life in the verified Christ.
  - C. All Biblical signs are recorded to substantiate the fact That Jesus is the Savior.