



PURPOSE CHURCH

SUNDAYS 8:30am | 10:00am | 11:30am



MARCH 16, 2025

**THE REAL
JESUS**

What He Said, What He Did, and How We Follow

WELCOME TO PURPOSE CHURCH!

Are you new to Purpose Church?

We are so glad you are here! We want to meet you, answer any questions you might have, and help you get connected. Come to the Connect Center located in the Lobby after the service to meet our friendly team and pick up a free gift!

NEXT STEPS AT PURPOSE

We believe every person has a *next step* to take. We are here to help you discover and take yours.

Have you decided to follow Jesus?
Do you want to get baptized?
Do you need hope, healing and support?
Are you looking for meaningful community?

Head to: purposechurch.com/nextsteps



EVERYONE EVERYWHERE FOLLOWING JESUS

PRAYER

We would love to pray with you!
Please stop by the prayer room
after the service or submit a
prayer request online.
purposechurch.com/prayer

GIVING

We believe that generous people
transform the world! Offering
boxes are available in the lobby on
Sundays or you can give online.
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DROWNING IN DOUBT

March 16, 2025 / Pastor Joey Versace

Scholar Community Growth Specialist at Reasons to Believe

Faith wavers when there's an imbalance in:

1. How we _____ about it
2. What we _____ about it
3. What we _____ about it

Examine our doubts in light of what we _____ is true.

John 6:6

He was testing Philip, for he already knew what he was going to do.

Jesus anchors our faith in something greater than the problem. He anchors it in _____ .

Matthew 14:27

... "Don't be afraid," he said. "Take courage. I am here!"

Truth has nothing to fear from _____ .

Matthew 14:28-31

Then Peter called to him, "Lord, if it's really you, tell me to come to you, walking on the water." 29 "Yes, come," Jesus said. So Peter went over the side of the boat and walked on the water toward Jesus. 30 But when he saw the strong wind and the waves, he was terrified and began to sink. "Save me, Lord!" he shouted. 31 Jesus immediately reached out and grabbed him. "You have so little faith," Jesus said. "Why did you doubt me?"

Don't ignore doubt—**explore** it. Jesus welcomes honest scrutiny because truth has nothing to hide. As we examine our doubts, we find answers. And Jesus doesn't wait for us to have it all figured out—when we call on Him, He responds immediately. In the end, exploring doubt leads to even more reasons to believe.

Bonus Question

Pastor Joey Versace wears dark glasses because:

- a) *He's so spiritual he only walks by faith, not sight.*
- b) *He reads so much scripture, his eyes glow with God's glory.*
- c) *His eyes are light-sensitive.*

Life is full of big questions—about faith, purpose, truth, and the world around us. If you've ever wondered who Jesus really is, whether faith and science can coexist, or where God is in the midst of suffering, our 8-week EXPLORE GROUP is designed for you. To learn more or sign up, head to purposechurch.com/groups.



REFLECT | DISCUSS | PRACTICE

1. **REFLECT:** If you're new to faith, returning to Jesus, or are uncertain about God, how could engaging in EXPLORE be helpful?
2. **REFLECT:** If you've been a Christ-follower for a long time, how might EXPLORE have benefited your faith when you first started your journey?
3. **DISCUSS:** What was the most impactful insight or takeaway for you today?
4. **DISCUSS:** How might the Church look different if all believers explored their doubts rather than suppressing them?
5. **PRACTICE:** Think of a specific situation or question that challenges your faith. Does the tension come from something related to what you know, feel, or do?
6. **PRACTICE:** What is one step you could take to explore that doubt further?

For more life group, reflection, and discussion content, and to join or start a group, visit: purposechurch.com/groups

Fill in the blanks: FEEL, DO, KNOW, KNOW, HIMSELF, EXPOSURE

