

**LOW**

waiting for the gift of sound and vision

*grace*

part 1  
easter didn't happen for thomas

Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. 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 it."

if you got back from shopping  
to find your friends telling you that

they'd met a dead person  
who came to life again

and appeared in the room  
even though the doors were locked  
and ate a piece of fish

would you believe them?

how frightened would you be?  
what are your options?



mass hysteria, illusion, madness  
[theirs or yours]  
some kind of bad-taste prank

you know you're sane, right?  
because you didn't see an impossible thing.

so where's the evidence?  
the missing piece of fish  
maybe it's in the cat

[they see dead people  
but nobody's seen the cat]

nobody wants to be the fool who's been had  
nobody wants to fall for a stupid joke  
let's see who lasts longest

day 1

day 2

day 3



day 4

this is getting to be boring

day 5

this is getting to be frightening

there is no psychiatric treatment  
in 1st century palestine

there is a terrible choice to be made

abandon your friends of the last three years  
abandon your hopes and your memories

go back to the old life  
alone and damaged



or stay with people who have lost touch with reality  
hold on to your dead dreams  
for a little while longer

day 6

the ashes are almost cold now  
just a little bit of warmth left

when the last spark dies  
it will be time to go

day 7

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!"

put down all your weapons  
let me in through your open wounds

part 2

how do we know what to believe?



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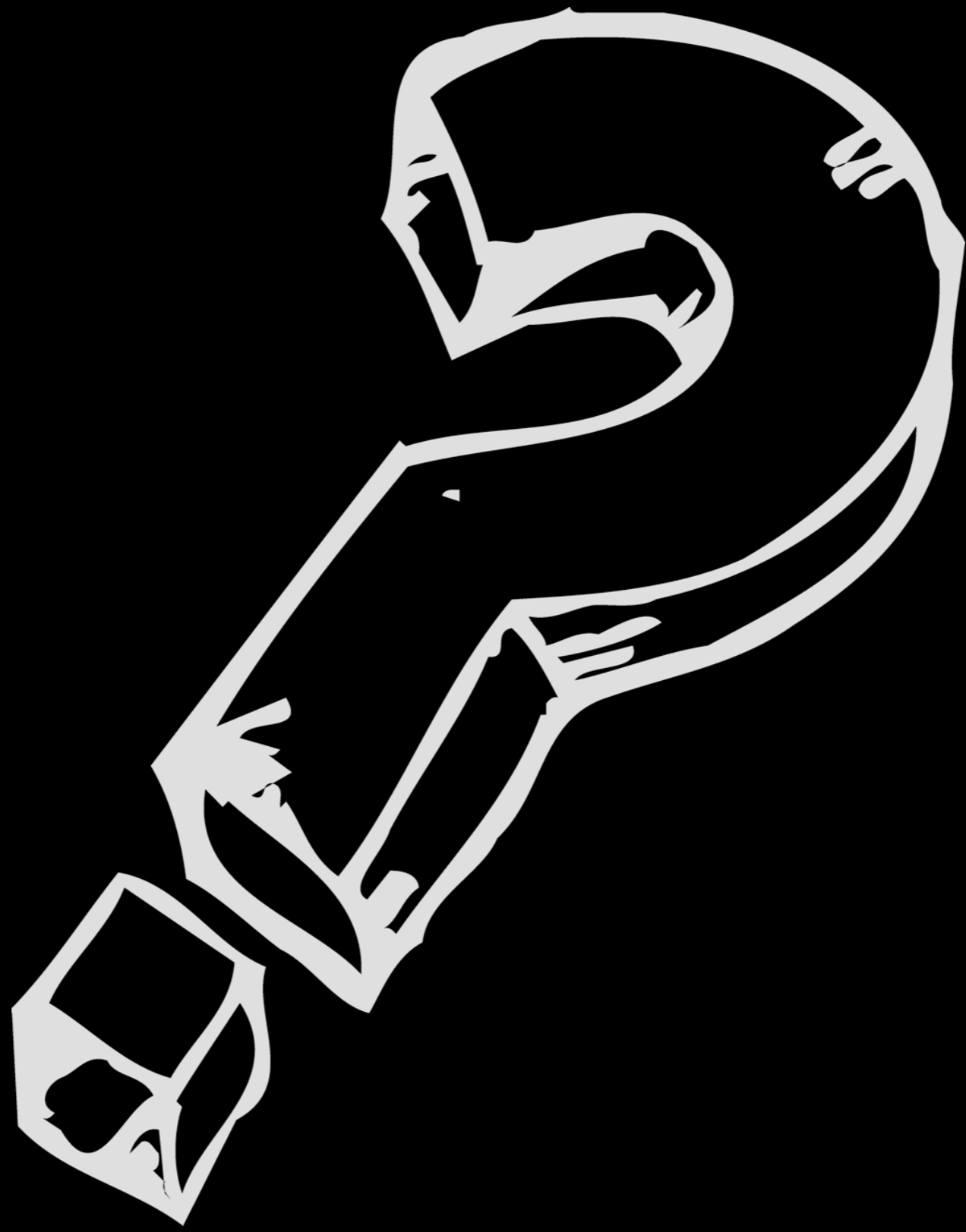


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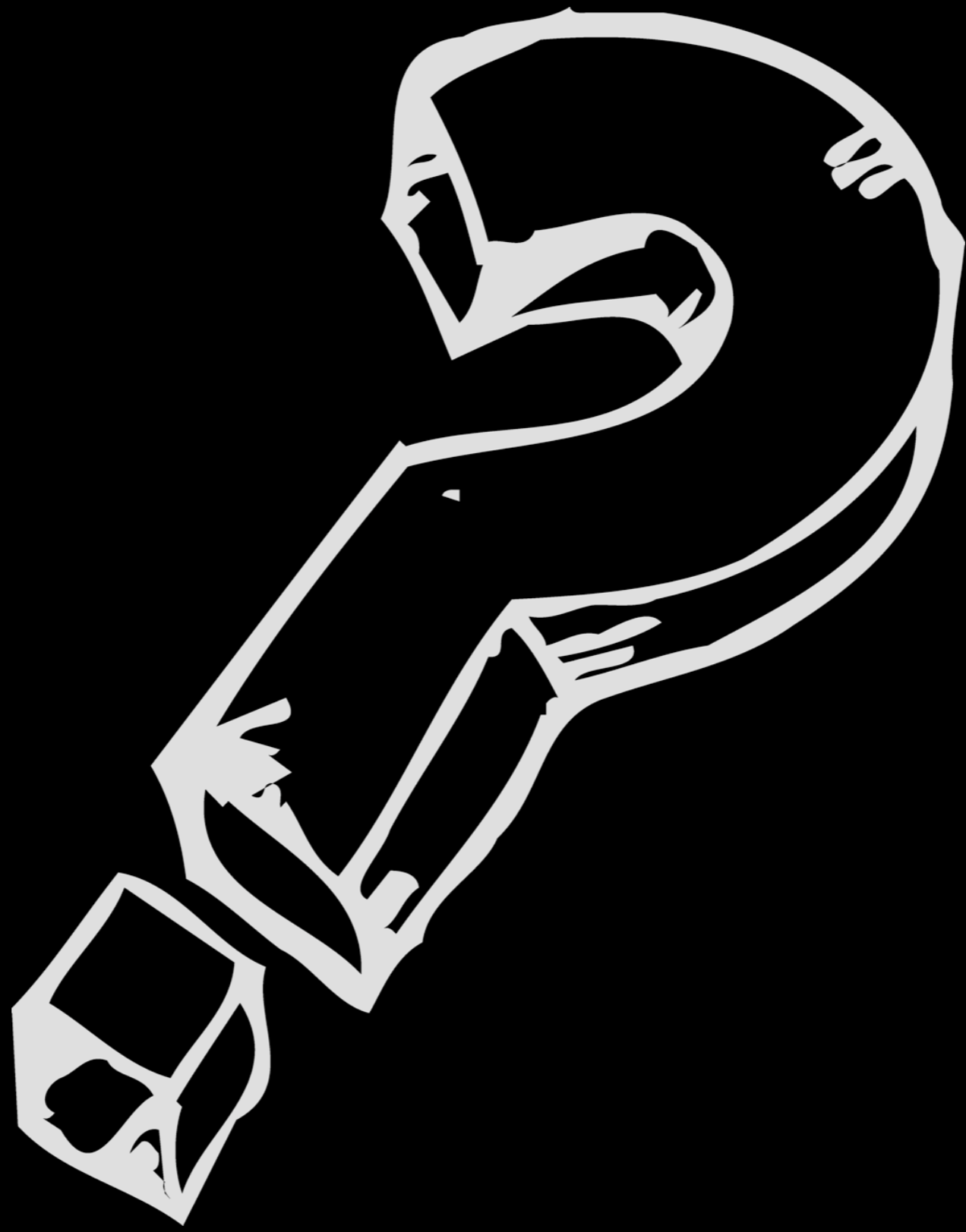




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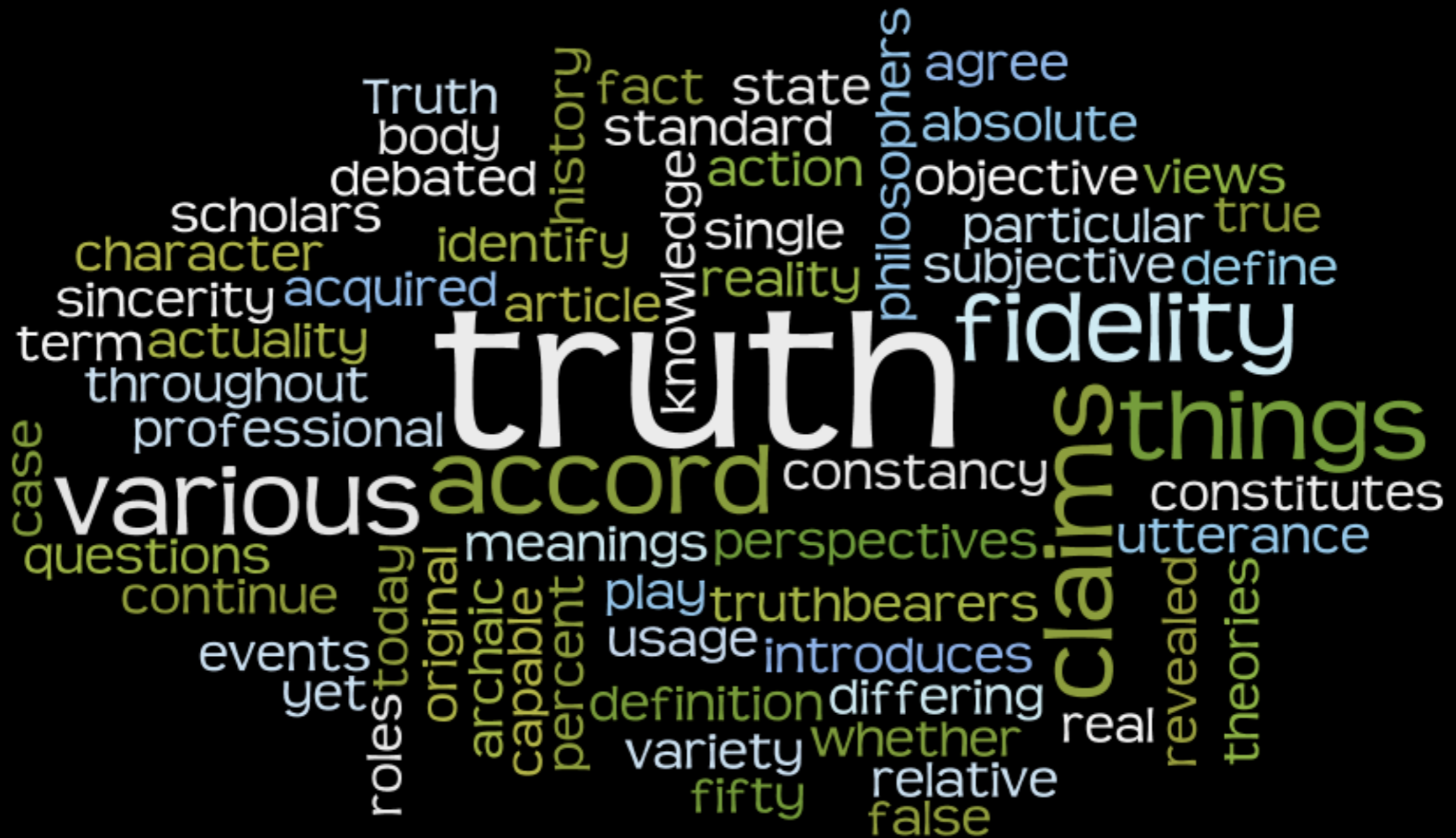
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Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

part 3  
what do we do with belief?

Light of the world filled with wisdom

Thank you for revealing your truth

We choose to believe with our free will

increase our faith as we step out

We are blessed to believe without seeing

open doors for sharing with the faithless

Install courage in our hearts

Amen