

Pete's Dragon

Inspiration ...

Watch the whole film if you can. If you can't, here is the link to the trailer:

 https://youtu.be/fPOamb6d_20



According to IMDb as of Sept 2022 the certificate for this film is: **PG**

Biblical Reference:

John 20:24-25

'Thomas, 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.'

(New International Version)

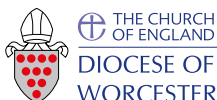


Prayer

Dear Jesus, You once walked the earth, those times are recorded in the Bible. Help us to have faith in You, even though we can't see You, help us to feel your presence as part of our lives. Amen.

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Faith

Link exploration:

Mr. Meacham had for years been telling stories of a dragon who lived deep in the woods. He says: 'Just because you don't see something doesn't mean it's not there.' Do we have to see something with our own eyes, for it to be real? How many things can we list that are true even though we haven't seen them ourselves? Can we know something is true because others tell us? How do we decide whose word to trust?

The Christian gospel is based on the historical event of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Like any historical event, we can't see it with our own eyes. But we come to conclusions about this historical event from a variety of sources, including the accounts written in the Bible, which have stood the tests of historians: they were written by eye-witnesses or those who knew the eye-witnesses. They were written soon after the events. Very early fragments of the original documents are still in existence (such as the 'P52' papyrus, written around AD150 and now on display at the John Rylands Library, University of Manchester.)

Personal challenge

- What helps you to have faith in Jesus Christ, even though you can't see Him in person?
- Think about the Bible, what do you find hard to understand or believe?
- Who could you ask, to help you with your questions?

