

Great Passion Play – 2025 Thomas Script (12.13.24)

JESUS: (*Blessing the bread*) Blessed are You, Lord God, King of the World. Who has given this bread to eat. Take, each of you, and eat all of it. This is my body, broken for you. (*Blessing the cup*) Blessed are You, Lord God, King of the World, our Father, Who has giving THIS cup to drink. Take, all of you, and drink from it. It is the cup of the new covenant in my blood, poured out for the forgiveness of sin. Whenever you do this, remember me.

I will only be with you a little while longer, and where I am going, you cannot come. So, I give you this new command; love one another as I have loved you. If you do this, everyone will know you are—my disciples.

PETER: Where are you going, Lord?

JESUS: Peter, you can't go with me now, but you will follow, later.

PETER: But why can't I go now? I will lay down my own life for you.

JESUS: Would you, Peter? Truly, I tell you, before the rooster crows, you will have denied me three times. Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God and in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house, and I am going to prepare a place for you. Then, I will come back to take you to be with me. You already know the Way to where I am going.

THOMAS: Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how do we know the way?

JESUS: I Am the Way and the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father, unless they come through me.

PHILIP: Lord, if we could see the Father, it would be enough.

JESUS: Philip, do you not know Me, after so long? He that sees Me, sees the Father. The Father lives in me and does His works. Truly, anyone who believes in Me will do these same works and also greater works because I go to the Father.

Peace I leave with you; I give you My peace I have told you these things before they happen, so that when you see them, you will believe. I cannot talk much longer with you. The prince of this world is coming, and he has nothing in me, but the world must be shown that I obey and love the Father.

Arise, we must be going. Yes, we must be going.

ACT IV—Scene 11: Appearance to Thomas

PETER: (*To Thomas*) That is how it happened after I went to the tomb. He has appeared to me, Thomas, and told me to encourage the rest. Mary has seen Him; I have seen Him; so have all the rest of the apostles...

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THOMAS: *(Interrupting)* Except me. All the rest but me. You have all seen him, heard him, and touched him, and you keep saying He will appear to me, too. Yet eight days have passed and still nothing! I will believe when I see, when I touch His hands and side!

[JESUS appears]

JESUS: Peace to all of you. Thomas, here's my hand; touch Me. Put your hand to my side. Do Not Doubt! But believe.

THOMAS: My Lord and my God!

JESUS: You have believed because you have seen. Blessed are those who believe without seeing! All that was written about me in the Scriptures had to be fulfilled, that the Messiah must suffer, die, and rise from the dead on the third day, to this you shall be my witnesses.