

The Surrender of Jesus – Pastor Vinh Doan– Matthew 26:30-56

NOTE FROM PASTOR JONATHAN

Easter is coming! Let's invite any family members, friends, neighbors, and acquaintances who don't believe in Jesus yet. Let's also pray for all those who don't know that Jesus died and came back from the dead to give them eternal life. They need God's Spirit to open their eyes to see why Easter is so beautiful.

After Easter, we'll have three weeks on our church's vision. Let's pray that the church will be moved to live rightly in light of Jesus' death and resurrection.

Don't forget, leaders, that WSBM gives you a 50% discount on all courses! If you want the code, send me an email.

Also, our next **Mission Night** is next Thursday, where you'll get a firsthand look at our recent **short-term mission trips** to **Thailand, Aruba, and the Middle East**. Come and hear **powerful stories, inspiring testimonies**, and be amazed at all that **God is doing** in these places. Please register using the link here: [Spring STM Team Reports Night - Willingdon Church](#)

QUESTION OVERVIEW

Please select any questions you feel will help your group dig deeper into God's Word.

Check out my Notes and Commentary (<https://willingdon.org/lifegroups/leaders-corner>)

Let's Warm Up: Questions to break the ice.

1. Have you ever overestimated your courage to do something?
2. Who do you love more as you get to know them more?
3. What do you do the night before a difficult, challenging situation (e.g., a big exam, major surgery, or a trip with difficult logistics)?

Let's Get Started: Questions to start thinking about the main themes.

4. How do you feel about "surrendering" (e.g., rights, freedoms, or a conflict)?
5. How do you feel about Jesus being sorrowful and troubled? Does it challenge your idea of Jesus?
6. Why is it easy to spend hours looking at a screen (e.g., social media, streaming videos/movies) but hard to spend several minutes in focused prayer? Why is that a problem?
7. Pastor Vinh said, "When we know more about God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, I believe it deepens our love for them." Why does our knowledge of God impact our love for Him?

Let's Dig In: Questions to discuss the passage and how we can respond.

8. What does Jesus' prayer tell you about what He is going through and what He is about to face?
9. What can you learn about facing challenges from Jesus' prayer?
10. How does Jesus' faith during difficulty help us to trust during our difficulties?
11. Pastor Vinh said, "Suffering Servants like Jesus today, if we are honest with ourselves, we would not look to, we would not follow their example ... We would rather follow someone seemingly strong and mighty, wealthy, or better still, follow someone to give us everything our hearts desire." Why is it easier to follow someone who gives us what we want over someone who leads us to surrendering and suffering?
12. How are we like the disciples? How can we learn from their example?