



The Way of Jesus

Week 8: Easter At CCV

CCV Groups Discussion Guide

OPENING QUESTION:

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?

NO VIDEO GUIDE THIS WEEK

DISCUSS:

- Read **Matthew 10:39**. What do you think it means to “lose your life”? How could “losing” your life actually help you find it?
- Is it easy or difficult for you to surrender to God? Why or why not?
- Is there something you’re trying to control in your life that God wants you to surrender? What’s one step you could take to surrender to Him this week?
- Share about a time when you were tempted to remain in control but surrendered instead. What did you learn about God through that experience? (i.e., serving, giving your life to Jesus, an addiction, anxiety, etc.)

PRAYER:

As a group, spend time in prayer for the following:

- Those that made a decision to follow Jesus this Easter at CCV.
- Boldness and courage for us to share Jesus with others and invite them to church.
- Strength and perseverance to surrender every area of our lives to God.

SCRIPTURES:

- **Hebrews 4:15-16** For we do not have a high priest [Jesus] who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.
- **Matthew 26:36-40** Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, “Sit here while I go over there and pray.” He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.” Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.” Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. ...

- **Matthew 26:42** [Jesus] went away a second time and prayed, “My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.”
- **Proverbs 3:5-6** Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.
- **Matthew 10:39** “If you cling to your life, you will lose it; but if you give up your life for me, you will find it.”

