

Pastor Roy's Sermon on Luke 22-1-23 (August 23, 2026)

—Below are questions from that lesson to further our understanding—

1. The sermon describes the 'convenient Christian' as someone who follows God only when it fits their schedule or desires — in what ways might we be tempted to treat our faith as optional, and what does genuine, wholehearted devotion to God actually look like in daily life?
2. The pastor warns that having no real relationship with Jesus means having no salvation, regardless of outward religious activity — how do you personally distinguish between a living relationship with Christ and simply going through religious motions?
3. Judas walked with Jesus for three years and still betrayed Him, which the sermon connects to unchecked, unrepented sin opening a door to evil — what does this sobering reality teach us about the danger of allowing sin to go unaddressed in our own hearts?
4. The sermon draws a powerful parallel between the Passover lamb of the Exodus and Jesus as our ultimate Passover Lamb — how does understanding this connection deepen your appreciation for what Christ accomplished on the cross?
5. The religious leaders, who were tasked with teaching God's Word and overseeing the Temple, were the very ones plotting Jesus' death — what warning does this serve for anyone in a position of spiritual leadership today?
6. Jesus told His disciples exactly where to go and what they would find, and it happened precisely as He said — how does this kind of sovereign, detailed provision challenge or strengthen your ability to trust God in the uncertainties of your own life?
7. The Lord's Supper is described as looking backward at Calvary, giving thanks for Christ's sacrifice, and looking forward to the fulfilled Kingdom — how intentionally do you engage all three of these dimensions when you participate in communion?
8. The sermon emphasizes that God's redemptive plan was determined before the foundations of the earth, even though sinful men carried it out — how do you hold together the reality of human responsibility for sin and the sovereignty of God's purposes?
9. Judas felt remorse after his betrayal but most believe never truly repented — what is the difference between remorse over the consequences of sin and genuine repentance, and why does that distinction matter eternally?
10. The pastor states that placing a favorite sin ahead of God is essentially telling God He is less important than that sin — what areas of your life, if honestly examined, might reveal that something other than God holds the highest place in your heart?