

Pastor Roy's Sermon on Luke 22-24-46

(August 30, 2026)

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

1. Jesus corrected the disciples for arguing about greatness moments after sharing a sacred meal with them -- in what ways do our own conversations and ambitions reveal that we have not fully absorbed the lessons Christ has placed right in front of us?
2. The sermon contrasts being 'honored' with being 'honorable' -- how do the titles, positions, and recognition we pursue in daily life reflect our true understanding of what God considers greatness?
3. Jesus told Peter 'I have prayed for you' rather than 'I have protected you from this' -- what does it reveal about God's purposes that He sometimes allows us to go through failure rather than shielding us from it entirely?
4. Peter boldly declared his readiness to follow Jesus to prison and death, yet he denied Him within hours -- how do we guard against the gap between the convictions we profess and the courage we actually demonstrate under pressure?
5. The disciples reported that when Jesus sent them out with nothing they lacked nothing, yet they still struggled to trust Him in the next difficult moment -- why is it so hard for us to carry the memory of God's past faithfulness into our present fears?
6. Jesus withdrew only a stone's throw from His disciples to pray, yet they fell asleep -- what does this scene suggest about the spiritual danger of physical and emotional exhaustion, and how should we respond when sorrow tempts us toward spiritual neglect?
7. The prayer in Gethsemane shows Jesus expressing honest anguish while ultimately surrendering to the Father's will -- what does this teach us about the difference between authentic prayer and simply telling God what we think He wants to hear?
8. Satan sought to sift Peter like wheat, yet Jesus said the sifting would ultimately refine Peter into someone who could strengthen others -- how should this reframe the way we view seasons of intense spiritual testing in our own lives?
9. Jesus deliberately went to the Mount of Olives knowing Judas knew that location, choosing not to avoid the betrayal -- what does His willingness to walk knowingly into suffering say about the nature of sacrificial obedience and love?
10. The sermon points to a coming marriage supper of the Lamb and a future reign with Christ as the ultimate reward for those who endure -- how should the reality of that future kingdom reshape the priorities and sacrifices we are willing to make today?