

The Temptation of Surrender

Trials, Triumphs, & the Cross
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Matthew 26:39 (CSB) – "Going a little farther, he fell facedown and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.""

- Surrender is not GIVING UP, it is an act of faith.
- Jesus faced the temptation to <u>REJECT</u> God's will, but He chose the way of the cross.
- True surrender means trusting God even when the outcome is <u>UNCERTAIN</u>.
- The temptation of surrender isn't about avoiding pain, but about <u>YIELDING</u> to God's purpose.
- Victory is not found in escaping trials, but in **ENDURING** through them in obedience to God.

Surrender is a choice, not a feeling. Jesus didn't "feel" like going to the cross, but He chose obedience over comfort.

We all face moments where we must choose between our plans and God's purpose. The easy way is not always the right way.

God's will may cost you something, but it leads to something greater. Jesus endured the cross for the joy set before Him (Hebrews 12:2).

The greatest victories come after the hardest surrenders. What we give up for God, He always replaces with something greater.

Your **"Gethsemane moment"** will test you, but like Jesus, choose to say, "Not my will, but Yours be done."

Challenge: What is God asking you to surrender today? Will you trust Him enough to say YES, even when it's hard?