

**EASTER 2021**  
**“RESCUE STORY!”**  
**Pastor Andy Shaffer—April 4, 2021**

**Psalm 107:1-20**—“Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord tell their story...**(v. 6)** they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and He delivered them (*He rescued them*) from their distress...**(v. 13)** they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He saved them (*He rescued them*) from their distress. He brought them out of darkness...and broke away their chains...**(v. 19)** they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He saved them (*He rescued them*) from their distress. He sent out his word and healed them; *He rescued them* from the grave.”

**Matthew 26:38-39**—“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.’”

**Prayer of Surrender:**

**Matthew 26:42**—“He 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.’”

**The BIG IDEA:**

**I Don’t Always Have The Power To Control, But I Do Have The Power To Surrender!**

**God’s Will Isn’t Always Easy, But He Is Always Good!**

**What are you trying to control that God wants you to surrender?**

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**Matthew 10:39** (NLT)—“If you cling to your life, you will lose it; but if you give up your life for me, **you will find it.**”

**Surrender Isn't A One-Time Event—It's A Daily Choice!**

**What do you need to exchange so Jesus can be your Rescue Story?**