



## Introduction to **SURRENDER UNIVERSITY!!**

**Motto: Give it up for greatness!**

**Theme verse:**      **II Corinthians 5:15** *“He died for all people so that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for the man who died and was brought back to life for them.”*

### **Summary of the series:**

Jesus surrendered! His entire life was a sequence of surrendering activities beginning with his birth into our world and finishing with his sacrifice on the cross. Because of his great love for his Heavenly Father and his love for us, he surrendered to his Father’s will and gave his life for us. Through this surrender, he achieved greatness. His sacrifice for us is the most glorious event of all time. Through it he defeated the power of sin, death and Satan.

Throughout Jesus’ life, Satan tempted Jesus to turn away from the cross and to not surrender for us. This series will highlight Satan’s three temptations of Jesus while Jesus was in the desert at the beginning of his ministry. It concludes the Sunday before Easter with Satan’s final temptation voiced through several people challenging Jesus to come down from the cross.

In each lesson, students will learn two important points. 1) Through Jesus and his surrender, our salvation has been won. 2) Through Jesus and his power working in our lives, we too, can surrender our lives to God’s plan. Then we will get full life with him.

These lessons are designed to be used in their entirety as a series. If used only in part, they will still be effective. The lessons to be covered are:

- Lesson 44: Give up self-centeredness—get KINGDOM MINDEDNESS.  
Bible Event: Matthew 4:3-6, “Jesus is Tempted: Turn these Stones to Bread.”
- Lesson 45: Give up control—get GOD’S POWER.  
Bible Event: Matthew 4:5-7, “Jesus is Tempted: Jump!”
- Lesson 46: Give up worshiping false gods – get GOD’S PRESENCE.  
Bible Event: Matthew 4:8-10, “Jesus is Tempted: Worship Me!”
- Lesson 47: Give up living only for yourself—get LIFE WITH GOD.  
Bible Event: Matthew 27:39-44, Several Say, “Jesus, Come Down from the Cross.”
- Lesson 48: Give up feeling defeated—get JESUS’ VICTORY.  
Bible Event: Matthew 26:74-75, “Jesus is Alive: He Offers Victory Over Failure.”

### **Introduction to Series “Surrender University!”**