

# Tenebrae

## Meditations On Christ's Sacrifice

**MATTHEW 27:45-46**

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**W**elcome to this solemn and reflective service of the Tenebrae - Good Friday Meditations, "A Journey Through Shadows: Meditations on Christ's Sacrifice". These shadows represent not only the darkness that enveloped the land during those crucial hours but also the shadows that sometimes loom over our own lives—the doubts, fears, and uncertainties that we face. Yet, within these shadows, we find the light of Christ shining brightly even in the darkest of moments.

This afternoon, we will be reminded of the darkness that covered the land from the sixth hour until the ninth hour, culminating in Jesus' anguished cry, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" These words should pierce our hearts, as it echoes the depths of human suffering and the ultimate sacrifice made for each one of us.

As we journey together through these meditations, let us open our hearts to Christ's presence. Let us trust in Him, especially in the darkest moments of our lives, knowing that He walks with us, understands our pain, and offers us the promise of Eternal Life.

We will be presented with seven exhortations from God's Word. After every reflection, a candle will be extinguished to represent the increasing darkness and to symbolize the

gloom and sorrow of Christ's death. We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper to fully remember the cost of what we enjoy today—Eternal Life.

As we remember Christ's journey to the cross, may this be a time of deep reflection, surrender, and thanksgiving to the One who took the blame and shame - the Lord Jesus Christ! ✱

## **Seven Reflections**

### **The Shadow of Betrayal**

*Matthew 26:20-25*

Speaker: Rev. Bobot Andalis

### **The Shadow of the Agony of Spirit and Arrest**

*Matthew 26:36-50*

Speaker: Pastor Jonar Garcia

### **The Shadow of Denial**

*Matthew 26:69-75*

Speaker: Rev. Dong Villatito

### **The Shadow of Accusation**

*Matthew 27:11-14, 20-29*

Speaker: Rev. Parkin Young

### **The Shadow of Crucifixion and Humiliation**

*Matthew 27:31-44*

Speaker: Pastor Sean Fuerte

### **The Shadow of Death**

*Matthew 27:45-56*

Speaker: Rev. Don Guico

### **The Shadow of Burial**

*Matthew 27:57-60; Mark 15:42-46; Luke 23:50-56;*

*John 19:38-42*

Speaker: Rev. Lito Villoria

## **Communion**

## **Time of Reflection**