

**A Novel Approach to Discipleship**  
**Question from *Seasons of Change* Chapter 34**

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***Warning: There may be spoilers in the question!***

On pages 235-236, Jenni's pastor preaches about being thankful "for" and being thankful "in"? Do you understand what he's talking about? Do you agree with him?

He refers to Romans 8:28 on page 235. Read the verse in its context. Is he using the verse appropriately?

On page 236, the pastor talks about the crucifixion but doesn't specifically name which gospel he refers to. Find and read the accounts of the crucifixion in the four gospels. Does what the pastor says line up with those accounts? How can you verify the information that isn't in these accounts, like "we cannot begin to understand how devastating Jesus' crucifixion was for his followers because we don't understand the religion and culture that Jesus lived in"? What about the pastor's statement that what Jesus actually did "far exceeded the expectations they'd had before the crucifixion"?

*Suggestions for finding answers in the Bible:*

See if you can find things the disciples said to Jesus before he was taken in the garden. What were some of the arguments the religious leaders used against Jesus?

Some of the information the pastor used was from extra biblical sources. Try using commentaries and Bible dictionaries to verify that information.

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