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POST TENEBRAS LUX SERIES
Good Friday Services of Scripture, Story, and Song
(Song Suggestions Provided)

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Light into Darkness provides the readings and structure for a moving and sacred Good Friday Tenebrae service.

The repetition of three elements—Scripture, story, and song—poignantly retell the crucifixion events recorded in the Gospel of John.

The **Scripture** readings include the passages surrounding the deeply significant “I Am” statements of Christ recorded by the apostle John, as well as his descriptions leading us through the events that begin in the Upper Room and end at the sealed tomb.

The **story** readings are from the perspective of the twelve disciples on the first Good Friday night (Judas Iscariot’s from the perspective of Thursday night); the crucifixion has occurred, but not yet the resurrection. These men are in a place of darkness and confusion, and we enter that with them.

The **songs** (seven to nine pieces) are choral/musical responses to the specific Scriptures and stories and are a powerful element of the service. Musical selections are suggested.

The gradual dimming of lights and extinguishing of candles throughout the service creates a meaningful atmosphere for thought and reflection.

Twelve Readers

(12 men representing the 12 disciples)

Reading Time

(without music): 15-20 minutes

Musical Selections are suggested.

Additional titles of the *Post Tenebras Lux Series* of Good Friday services:

Beneath the Cross

Kingdom Blessings

Thy Kingdom Come

The Way of the Lord

Lisa Wallover loves writing and creating gospel-centered resources for the local church. Married to PCA TE David Wallover, her experience includes church planting, communication coordination, teaching Bible studies, youth work, and writing curriculum and materials to meet a variety of congregational needs. The *Post Tenebras Lux Series* was created within the context of a local church community who deeply embraces the gospel truth that God’s grace is greater than our sin and shines brighter against the darkness.

Lisa also assists with Midwest Alliance Readiness Seminars for church planting couples, and is a member of the Parakaleo Leadership Community and the PCA’s WE (Wives of Elders) Connect Team.

