

Table Topics

My perspective, God's perspective
Luke 22: 1-38





What do you see?



Luke 22:14-38

14 When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. 15 And he said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. 16 For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God.” 17 After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, “Take this and divide it among you. 18 For I tell you I will not drink again from the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” 19 And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” 20 In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.

21 But the hand of him who is going to betray me is with mine on the table. **22** The Son of Man will go as it has been decreed. But woe to that man who betrays him!”
23 They began to question among themselves which of them it might be who would do this.

24 A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. **25** Jesus said to them, “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors.

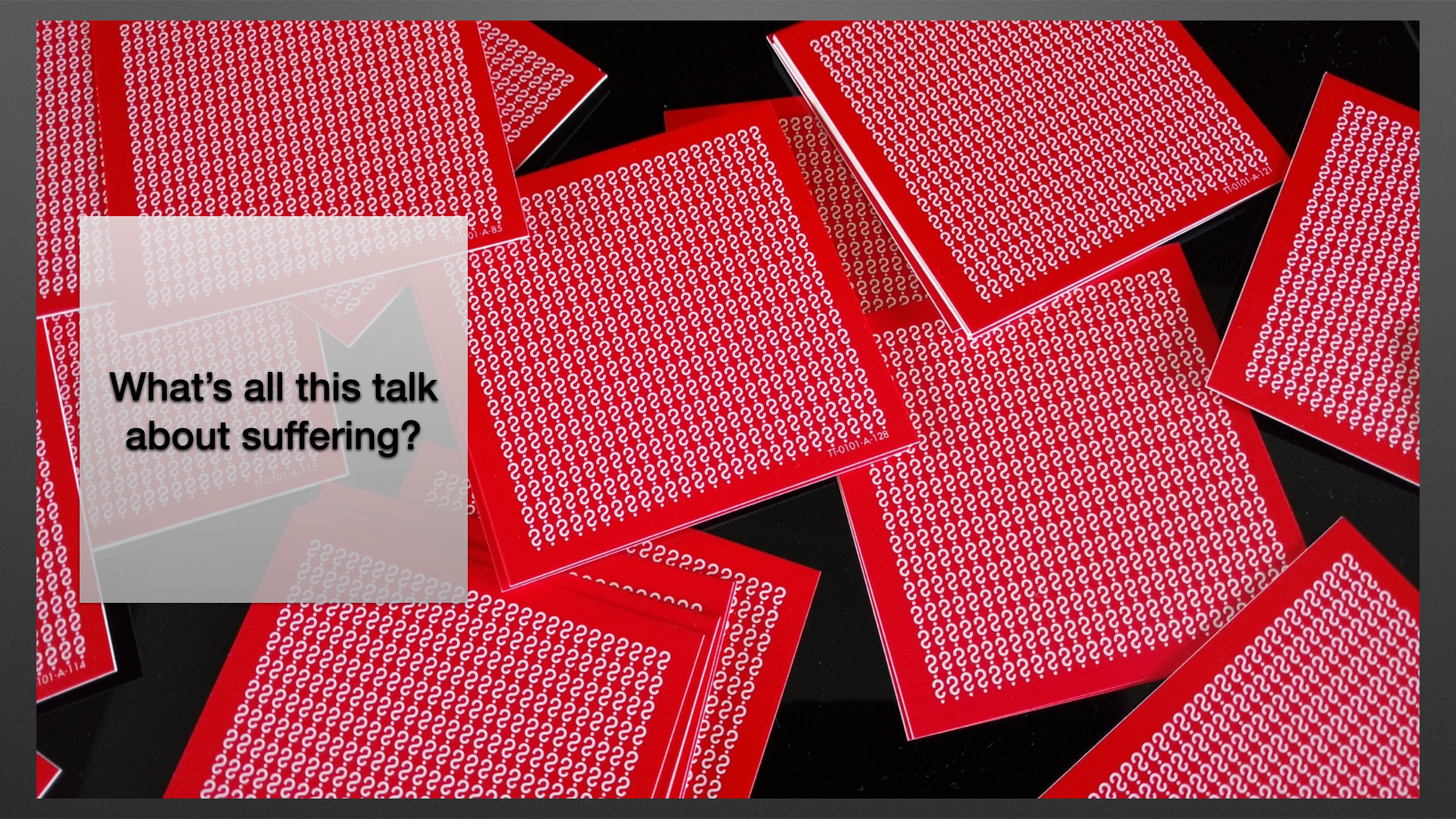
26 But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. **27** For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. **28** You are those who have stood by me in my trials. **29** And I confer on you a kingdom, just as my Father conferred one on me, **30** so that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom and sit on thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

31 “Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. **32** But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers.”


33 But he replied, “Lord, I am ready to go with you to prison and to death.”

34 Jesus answered, “I tell you, Peter, before the rooster crows today, you will deny three times that you know me.”

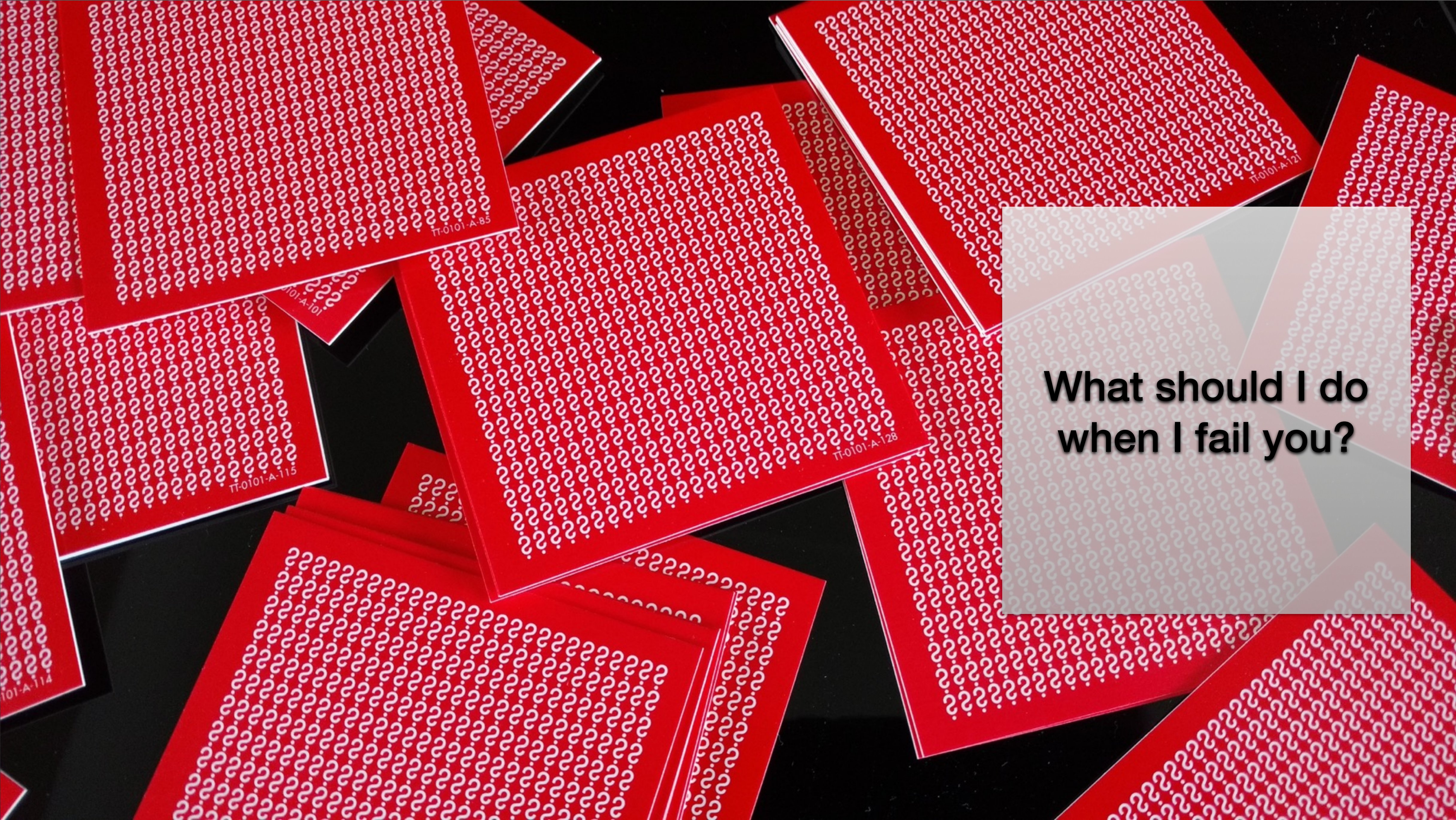
35 Then Jesus asked them, “When I sent you without purse, bag or sandals, did you lack anything?” “Nothing,” they answered. **36** He said to them, “But now if you have a purse, take it, and also a bag; and if you don’t have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one. **37** It is written: ‘And he was numbered with the transgressors’; and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment.” **38** The disciples said, “See, Lord, here are two swords.” “That’s enough!” he replied.




**What's all this talk
about suffering?**

The image features a background of several overlapping red cards. Each card is covered in a dense, repeating white pattern of small, wavy, stylized 'S' or '2' shapes. The cards are scattered across a dark, possibly black, surface. In the center of the image, there is a semi-transparent, light gray rectangular box. Inside this box, the text "Who is the Greatest?" is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The text is centered both horizontally and vertically within the box. Some of the cards in the background have small white text in the bottom right corner, such as "TT-0101-A-85", "TT-0101-A-101", "TT-0101-A-115", "TT-0101-A-114", "TT-0101-A-121", and "TT-0101-A-128".

**Who is the
Greatest?**



**What should I do
when I fail you?**



**Why all this talk
about suffering?**

**Who is the
Greatest?**

**What should we do
when we fail you?**

Questions for Reflection?

Are you walking through a season of suffering or trials - Do you need to see that God is with you - Can you grab hold of that hope and let his presence sustain you?

Are you seeking greatness by the world's standards - Do you need to submit this desire to Jesus and see how He would grow greatness through service instead?

Have you defined yourself by your faults and failings - Do you need ears to hear God speaking life and identity over you?