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Stations of the Cross

1.

**Jesus is condemned to death**

Matthew 27: 26-28

*God, in Christ, suffers the corrupt justice of a kangaroo court*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

2.

**Jesus takes up his cross**

John 19:17

*God, in Christ, carries the heavy burden of human lust for violence*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

3.

**Simon of Cyrene**

Matthew 27:32

*God, in Christ, is partnered by the efforts of a stranger*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

4.

**The women of Jerusalem**

Luke 23:27-31

*God, in Christ, is sustained by those who understand suffering*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

5.

**Jesus is stripped**

Mark 15:20

*God, in Christ, is humiliated by the greed of those around him*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

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6.

**Jesus is crucified**

Luke 23:33-34

*God, in Christ, is pinned down to die in pain*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

7.

**Mary and John**

John 19:26-27

*God, in Christ, is committed to community, despite pain and death*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

8.

**Jesus Dies on the cross**

John 19:28-30

*God, in Christ, embraces the human condition… mortality*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

9.

**Jesus’ body is taken down from the cross**

John 19:38

*God, in Christ, has his mortality embraced by others*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.

10.

**Jesus’ body is placed in the tomb**

John 19:39-42

*God, in Christ, hallows the grave- transforming it.*

Lord, help us to see and understand; teach us who you are,

and by your cross and passion liberate us to love with your love.