

# The Stations of the Cross

1. Circle the station that has been assigned to your group:

- Jesus is in the garden at Gethsemane. (Matthew 26:36–41)
- Jesus is betrayed by Judas and is arrested. (Mark 14:43–46)
- Jesus is condemned by the Sanhedrin. (Luke 22:66–71)
- Jesus is denied by Peter. (Matthew 26:69–75)
- Jesus is judged by Pilate. (Mark 15:1–5,15)
- Jesus is scourged and crowned with thorns. (John 19:1–3)
- Jesus bears the cross. (John 19:6,15–17)
- Jesus is helped by Simon the Cyrenian to carry the cross. (Mark 15:21)
- Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem. (Luke 23:27–31)
- Jesus is crucified. (Luke 23:33–34)
- Jesus promises his Kingdom to the good thief. (Luke 23:39–43)
- Jesus speaks to his mother and the disciple. (John 19:25–27)
- Jesus dies on the cross. (Luke 23:44–46)
- Jesus is placed in the tomb. (Matthew 27:57–60)



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2. Read the Scripture passage aloud with your group.
3. Imagine that you are part of the scene and are witnessing this event firsthand. What stands out to you? What might other people in the scene be thinking, feeling, or experiencing?
4. With your group, prepare an enactment of the station as it is found in Scripture, being true to the Scripture passage.
5. Read the Scripture passage again with your group.
6. As a group, discuss the following:
  - If the Crucifixion of Jesus happened today, how would it be similar to, or different from, the time in which Jesus actually lived?
  - In our society today, what individuals or groups of people experience a kind of suffering and persecution similar to that which Jesus endured? People who experience physical suffering may come to mind, but also consider individuals or groups who endure emotional persecution and suffering.
7. With your group, prepare a modern version of the station. You may present the modern version in any way you choose. Include a brief statement (two to three sentences) that explains this modern version.
8. Each group will present in the order of the stations. Your presentations should follow the same order:
  - Read the Scripture passage for your station.
  - Do a literal enactment of the station (these first two steps may be done simultaneously).
  - Present the modern version of the station.
  - Share your two to three sentences that explain this modern version.

