

The Passion according to St Matthew

A Meditation for Good Friday

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Hymn 549 When I survey the wondrous cross

Opening Prayer

Almighty Father
 look with mercy on this your family
 for which our Lord Jesus Christ
 was content to be betrayed
 and given up into the hands of wicked men
 and to suffer death upon the cross
 who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit
 one God now and for ever
 Amen

Then we say together **Holy God**
 holy and strong
 holy and immortal
 have mercy on us

Before each meditation is said the following

Priest *We adore you O Christ and we bless you*

People ***because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world***

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| 1 | <u>I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.</u> | 27 v4 |
| 2 | <u>What is that to us ? See to it yourself.</u> | 27 v4 |
| 3 | <u>Are you the King of the Jews ?</u> | 27 v11 |
| 4 | <u>You say so.</u> | 27 v11 |
| 5 | <u>Whom do you want me to release to you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?</u> | 27 v17 |
| 6 | <u>Have nothing to do with this innocent man for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him.</u> | 27 v19 |
| 7 | <u>Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah ?</u> | 27 v22 |
| 8 | <u>Let him be crucified !</u> | 27 v22 |
| 9 | <u>I am innocent of this man's blood see to it yourselves.</u> | 27 v24 |
| 10 | <u>Hail King of the Jews !</u> | 27 v29 |
| 11 | <u>You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days,</u> save yourself. If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross. | 27 v40 |
| 12 | <u>Eli, Eli lema sabachthani.</u> | 27 v46 |
| 13 | <u>Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.</u> | 27 v50 |
| 14 | <u>Truly this man was God's Son !</u> | 27 v54 |

Closing prayer

Most merciful God
who by the death and resurrection of your son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved mankind:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory
through Jesus Christ our Lord
Amen

Hymn 499 There is a green hill far away

Blessing

Most merciful God
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ
delivered and saved mankind:
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross
we may triumph in the power of his victory
through Jesu Christ our Lord.
Amen

