

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

FOR CHILDREN

Introduction

In many churches, we can see sets of pictures or carvings called 'The Stations of the Cross' or 'The Way of the Cross.' They tell us about what happened to Jesus when he suffered and died for us.



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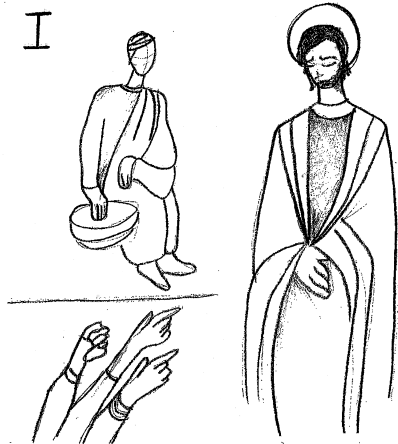
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The Stations of the Cross

The first station—

1. Jesus is condemned to death

Jesus was a friend to everyone when he lived upon earth. He was always kind, and helped all the people he met. Unfortunately, the high priests and some other people did not like him, and wanted to put him to death, so he was arrested and Pilate tried him. *(Song 1)*



Song 1



1. "Who are you, who are you, who are you, who are
2. "Are you king of the Jews, tell me this," Pi - late
3. "It is you who say this," ans - wered Je - sus to
4. All the high priests cried out, "We don't like this at



you?" but Je - sus said noth - ing. _____
 asked and Je - sus looked at him. _____
 him and all there did hear him. _____
 all, so put him to death!" _____

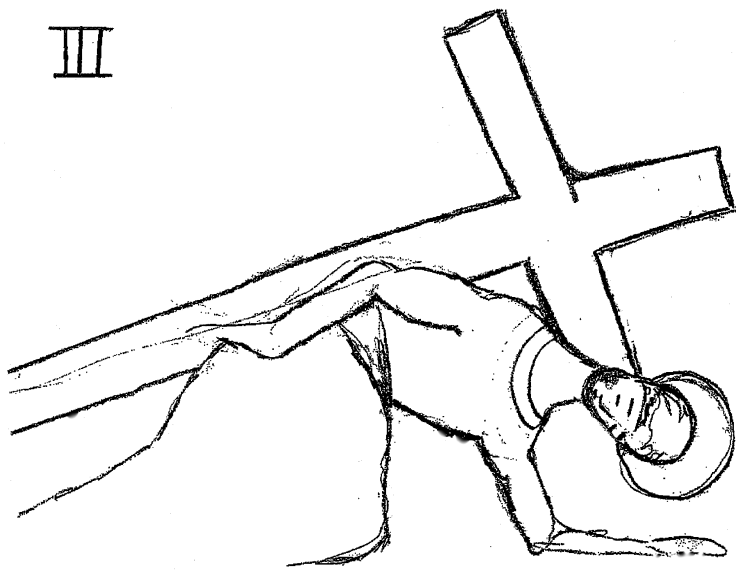
The second station—**2. Jesus carries his cross**

Jesus now received the cross on which he was going to be crucified. He had to carry it all the way to where he would be crucified. It was very heavy. On the way he prayed for us.




The third station—**3. Jesus falls for the first time**


A little further on, he fell under the weight of the cross. It hurt him even more because he'd already been scourged and was wearing a crown of thorns. The soldiers even hit him as he fell.
(Song 2)




Song 2




1. See him fall on the ground with the
friends stand right there as their




crowd all a - round! See him make not a sound, though the
hearts beat with fear! See them stay there for him, as their



sol - diers' fists pound! See him strug - gle with pain, try to
hopes all grow dim! As for him they won't leave, though them -



1.
get up a - gain! 2. See his



2.
selves, they all grieve for their Lord.