



CROSS STATIONS



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In the early church, pilgrims in Jerusalem retraced Jesus’s final steps to the place where He was crucified, stopping at various “stations of the cross” to remember His actions for them. In our series, “Cross Stations,” we’re considering specific Scripture verses that can help us experience what Jesus experienced. Part one of our series takes us from the garden of Gethsemane to where He was tried and then to the moment when Jesus was forced to carry His cross.



THIS WEEK’S DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Have you ever practiced the “Stations of the Cross”? If so, what was your experience? How do you respond now to this concept?
- The first cross station we identify is Jesus praying alone in the garden. Read Luke 22:39–46. Notice the setting and Jesus’s experience, and then think about how His prayer struggle has impacted the intimacy you now possess with God.
- Read Matthew 26:57–75 and 27:11–26. Where is Jesus in this cross station? What does He experience? How does His endurance affect you today?
- Consider the torture Jesus endured as you read Matthew 27:27–31. Can you stand with Him at this cross station and receive what He has done for you?
- Jesus carried His own cross until Simon of Cyrene was enlisted to help Him in John 19:17, Matthew 27:32–33, and Luke 23:26. How would you have responded if you were asked to help Jesus?



CHALLENGE

Consider journeying with Jesus through each cross station in these weeks surrounding Easter. Journal your thoughts and discoveries along with your prayers.



COMMIT TO MEMORY

“Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the skull . . . There they crucified him”
(John 19:17–18)



PRAYER

Dear Lord, You have shown us through Scripture that even small faith can be used for Your glory. Reveal to me where my faith is lacking, and help me to surrender my disbelief to Your perfect plan. In Jesus’s name, amen.