

**The  
Second  
Station**



**Jesus  
carries  
His  
cross**

*Jesus has been beaten and mocked by the Roman guards. Now a huge, heavy beam is laid brutally on his shoulders. Jesus carries the great weight of sin as he begins his journey to Golgotha, where they would crucify him. He bears it willingly, for love bears all things.*

**Meditation**

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SECOND STATION



Jesus, I may be young, but I've already learned that life brings many challenges and burdens. In a way, these burdens are our own crosses that all people must carry through life. Sometimes, I condemn myself to carry a cross. I get myself into tough situations that have tough consequences. But at other times, life just lays a heavy cross on my shoulders. I didn't ask for it. I don't want it. But it's there, and it's hard to bear—especially because I don't understand why it's there. I see you carry your cross out of love. Help me see a purpose in the cross I'm carrying today. Help me find a loving way to bring good out of this cross.

**Prayer**

*No one has greater love than this, To lay down one's life for one's friends.* (John 15:13)