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**Meditation**

*Just a few days ago, people were cheering when Jesus entered this city. The feeling is different now. Now Jesus is condemned as a criminal and hardly anyone seems to be on his side. He falls again. Does anyone care?*

**Prayer**

Jesus, I see people fall every day.

Kids I know struggle in school. They make mistakes. They lose games and forget their lines on stage. They have family problems and dread going home at night.

My parents get stressed out because of all the things they have to do. They lose their temper with me. Sometimes I deserve it, sometimes I don't.

When I think about all of this, sometimes I feel let down by the way people disappoint me. I watch them fall, and it makes me angry or feel superior or even laugh at them.

I see you surrounded by pressures and cruelty, falling down under the weight of all of it. I'm sorry to see you fall. When I see other people fall in my life, help me remember you and be more understanding with them. When those I know fall, help me react with compassion and desire to help. May love move me to care.

*No one has greater love than this,*

*To lay down one's life for one's friends.*

(John 15:13)