

William Wey, a British Christian, visited the Holy Land in the mid 1500s and called the stops on his pilgrimage “stations.” The stations of the cross were developed as a way to help people who could not travel to Jerusalem understand and connect with the story of Jesus’ last days on earth. During this season of social distancing, many of us are unable to travel within our community, let alone to the Holy Land so the North Texas Conference has partnered with artist Scott Erickson to offer you an innovative Easter Egg hunt for your home or community.

How can you use this resource?

#### Option 1: At home egg hunt

- Print off the images and put them in plastic Easter eggs or, if you don’t have any eggs at home, simply hide the images throughout your home by taping them on ceilings, cupboards or furniture.
- Have your egg hunt and locate all 12 of the images throughout the home!
- Arrange the images in order and use the attached guide to walk through each image with Scripture verses, meditations and action steps for each “station” that you visit.
- Post pictures of your experience on social media using the hashtag for your local church and #seeallthepeople #seeallthestations #Easteregghuntathome

#### Option 2: Neighborhood egg hunt (great option for areas where there is a shelter in place order)

- Find 11 neighbors in your apartment building or neighborhood that would put up an image on their door with the guided meditation from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday.
- Use social media to let your neighborhood know where they can find the stations and the order of each one. You can even make it into a Easter station hunt by giving the street name or floor number but not the exact address so they have to find each station.
- Encourage your neighborhood to practice social distancing if they arrive at a station when others are already gathered there.
- Have participants post images to social media when they have found a station using the hashtag of your local church and #seeallthepeople #Easterallaround #Eastereverywhere #stationsonthestreet #nospiritualdistance #neighborlyEaster

#### Option 3: Community Egg Hunt- only to be used if there is no shelter in place order or if the local businesses/churches that host a station are within walking distance of those participating in the egg hunt

- Find 11 places in the community to serve as the 11 stations of your egg hunt and have your church building be the final station.
- Print off the images and try to weatherproof them by laminating them or putting them in a protected place if possible.
- Post them in the twelve locations throughout town from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday

- Create a map that tells your community where they can go to find each station or create a checklist with the name or address of each station.
- Remind your community to practice social distancing and not gather in groups if they arrive at a station at the same time.
- Encourage your community to post pictures of themselves at each station on social media using the hashtag of your church and #seeallthepeople #Easterallaround #Eastereverywhere #stationsonthestreet #nospiritualdistance

*I*



*JESUS IS TEMPTED*

*"My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me." Matthew 26:38*

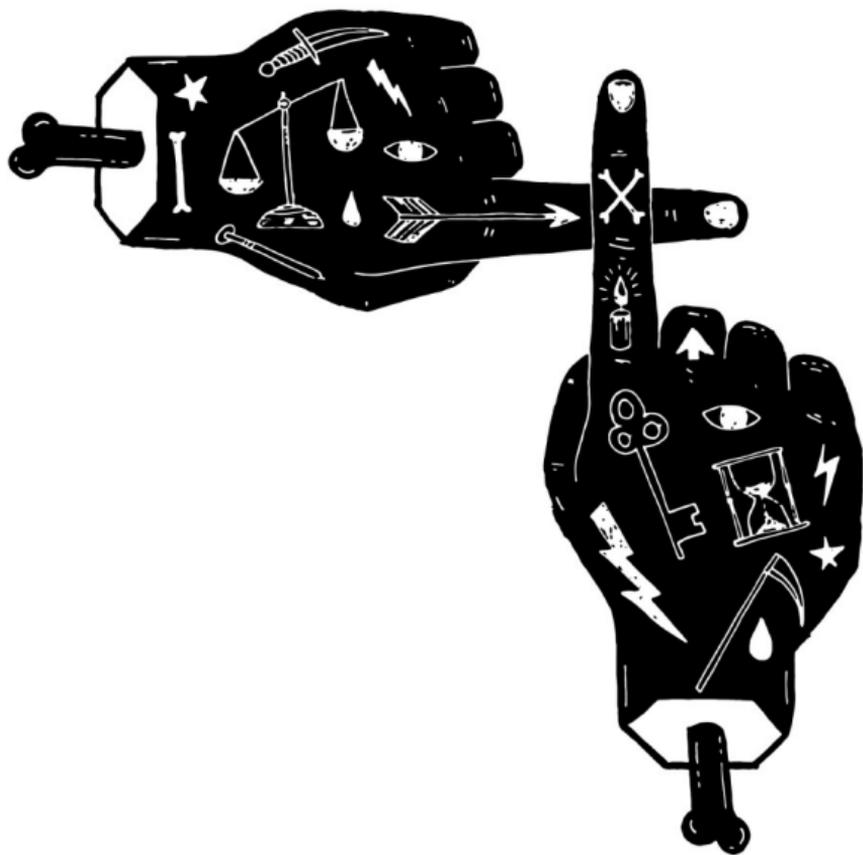
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JESUS IS BETRAYED

*"Friend, do what you came here to do." Matthew 26:50*

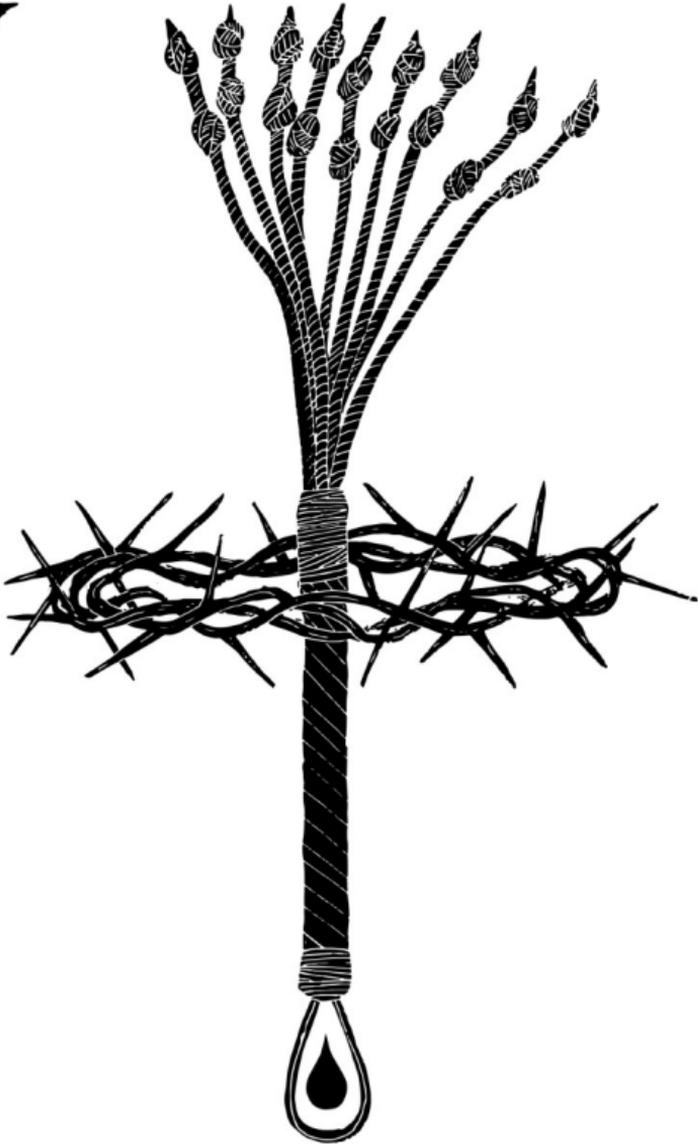
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*JESUS IS CONDEMNED*

*"But this is your hour - when darkness reigns." Luke 22:53*

*IV*



*JESUS IS MOCKED*

*"But if I spoke the truth, why did you strike me?" John 8:23*



VI



*JESUS FALLS*

*"Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds." John 12:24*

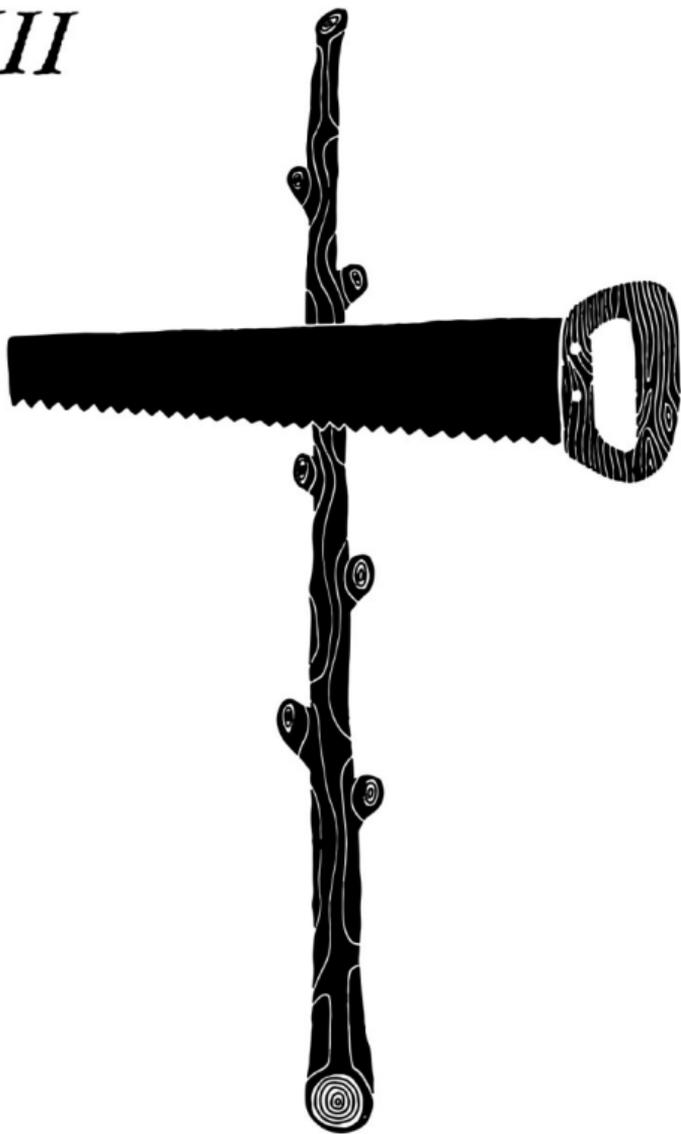
VII



*SIMON CARRIES JESUS' CROSS*

*"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Matthew 16:24*

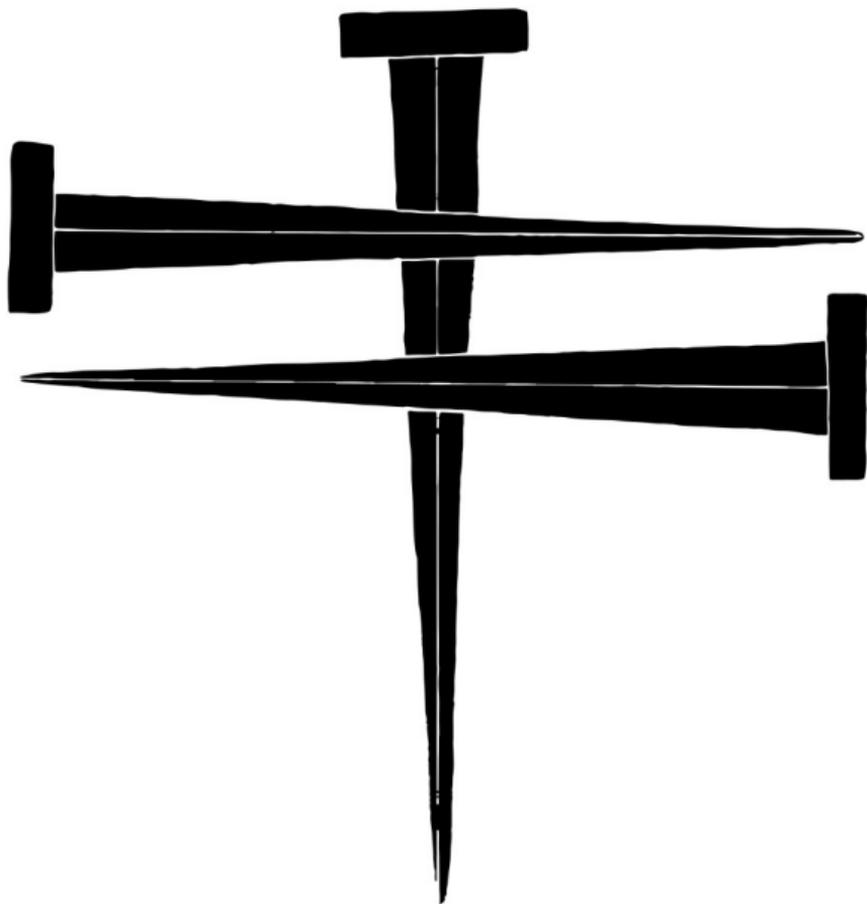
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*JESUS IS STRIPPED*

*"For if men do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?" Luke 13:31*

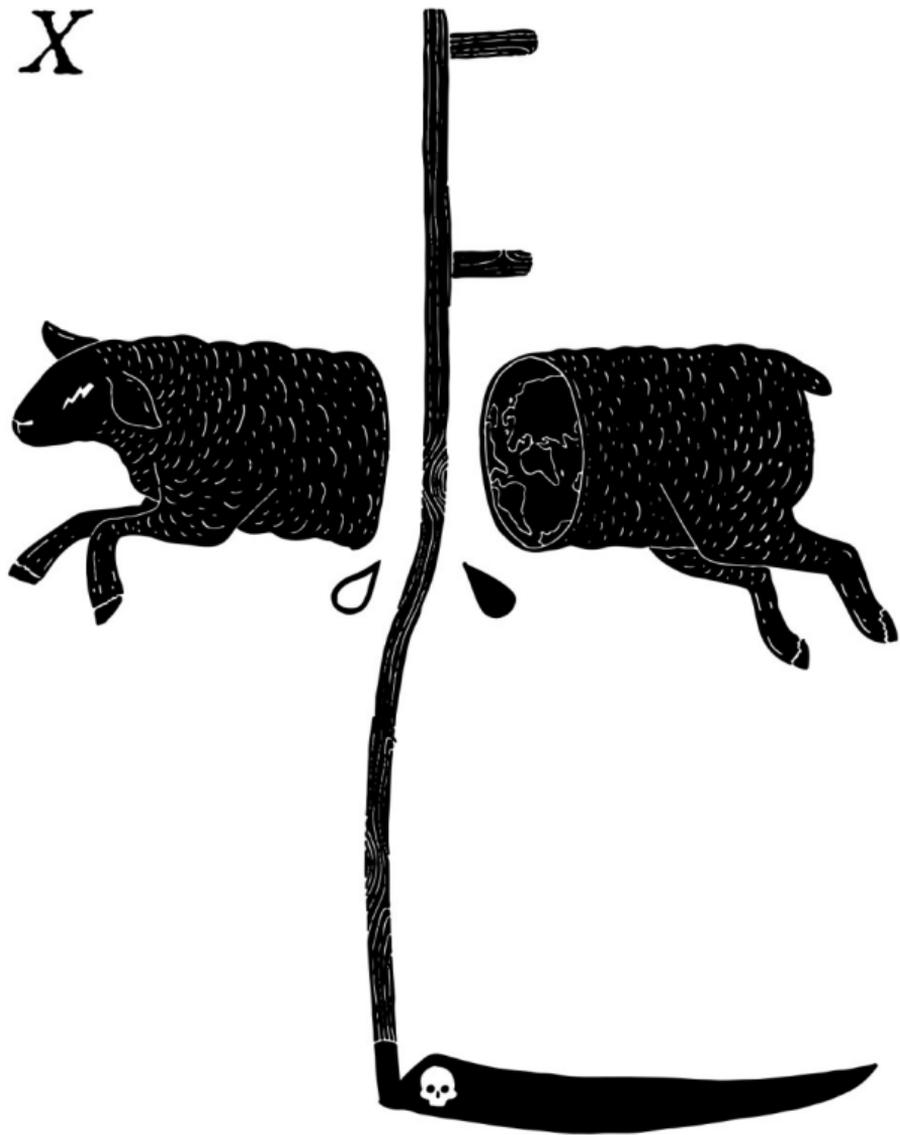
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*JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS*

*"My God My God, why have you forsaken me?" Matthew 27:46*

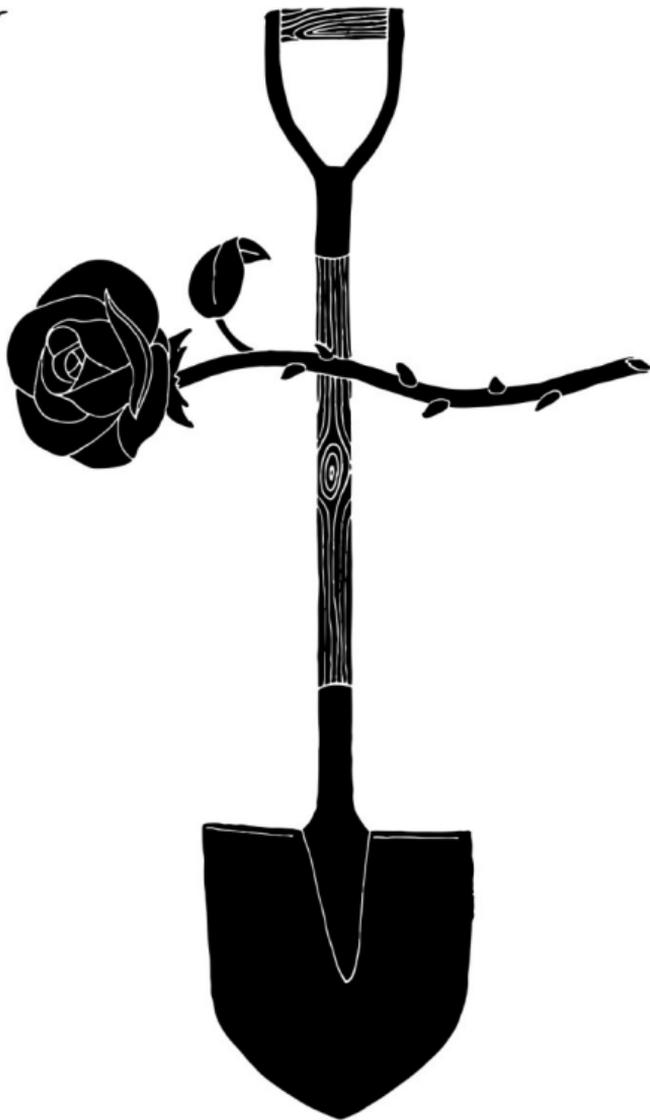
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*JESUS DIES*

*"Greater love has no one than this to lay down one's life for one's friends." John 15:13*

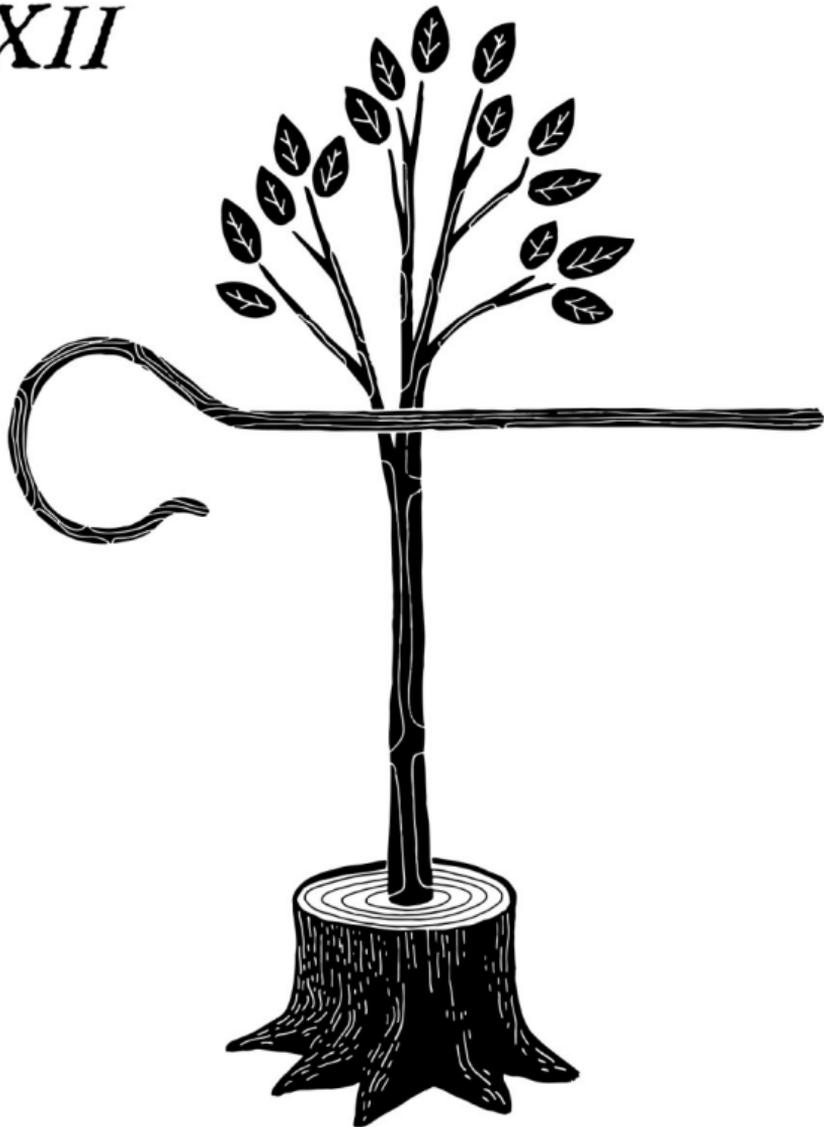
XI



*JESUS IS BURIED*

*"When she poured this perfume on my body, she did it to prepare me for burial." Matthew 26:12*

*XII*



*JESUS RISES*

*"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays his life down for his sheep." John 10:11*