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John 19: 6, 15-17

When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him." They cried out, "Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but the emperor." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

## REFLECT

"Jesus not only bears the physical weight of the cross, he bears the weight of creation. I imagine his arms contorted behind him, grasping the edges of the cross, trying to balance the weight of it all on his back. Contemplating this great burden, I imagine his body twisted and tied to the cross by the vines of the Garden of Eden, but also held up and supported by the vines of the new creation."

- Artist Lauren Wright Pittman

# **PRAY**

May I help carry the burden of the injustice in this world and work to usher in the new creation.

Amen.

