

Lectio John 19:25-30

When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman,[b] here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

Later, knowing that everything had now been finished, and so that Scripture would be fulfilled, Jesus said, "I am thirsty." A jar of wine vinegar was there, so they soaked a sponge in it, put the sponge on a stalk of the hyssop plant, and lifted it to Jesus' lips. When he had received the drink, Jesus said, "It is finished." With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.

Notes:

Mental Prayer (Recollection: Consideration: Conversation)

Visualize the that you are kneeling atop Mount Golgatha after the crucifixion. The Mother of God is on the ground holding her dead son. Her back is to you, but you can hear her sobbing uncontrollably. She has Jesus in her arms... you notice her fingers are sinking into Jesus' torn flesh. His body is destroyed.

Spend some time considering this... (When you are ready have a heart to heart conversation with her: Ask her about the teens in youth ministry. Ask her what she wants of you. "What can I do to take away your pain?" Share with her your own deep personal concerns about everything on your heart and listen to her response.

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