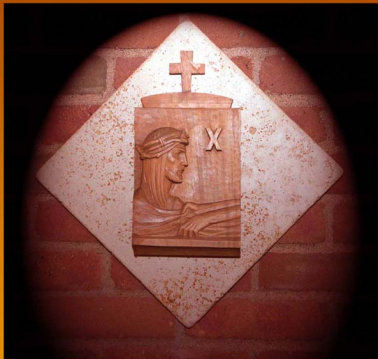


The 10th Station:

Jesus is Stripped of His Garments



After they had crucified him, they divided his garments by casting lots. Mt 27:35

Dignity

Jesus has been stripped of earthly power and influence, deprived of human freedom. Now he is relieved of all earthly possessions, even personal privacy. But in what we think is the ultimate shame, his dignity is not compromised. True to himself and secure in the Father, he becomes forever the model of purity, simplicity and human beauty.

Jesus, you teach us there is no shame in letting go of the power and wealth our world values so highly. Help us let go of our cares and worldly desires. I pray for all who imprison their bodies with drugs, for all those addicted to money, work and fame. Release me, too, from my attachments that I may treasure the dignity that is mine as a beloved child of the Father. Amen.