

# Carrying Jesus' Cross

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*March 16 Read: Matthew 27:32-44 Jordyn Visser (15)*

On the way to Jesus' crucifixion the soldiers met a man named Simon and they ordered him to carry Jesus' cross for him. He had no choice, so therefore he walked alongside Jesus carrying his burden for him. Well what about today? We aren't forced to carry Jesus' cross, but we are called to serve him. If Simon had a choice, would he have carried this heavy burden for his Savior? Would we?

In today's society we're granted opportunities everyday to show our love for God whether we realize it or not. The hard part is accepting these opportunities and fulfilling what we are asked to do. I know in my everyday life, I don't always realize the importance of carrying Jesus' "cross" and doing His will. But God doesn't call us to be perfect Christians. He made us in His innermost being and that's why He gave his only son to die on the cross for our sins. He gave his very own, only son to die for us! All he asks us to do is create a spot for Him in our hearts and serve Him in all that we do.

So next time you see someone in need, or hurting, picture Jesus on the cross and all that he's done for you. He paid the ultimate price and we can thank him by helping others and carrying their "crosses" in their time of need.

***Prayer: God, we truly thank you for giving your one and only son for our sins. Help us to realize your love for us and the reason you created us. Let us see the burdened and take the liberty of serving you through others.***

***AMEN.***

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