



## **A Prayer for Holy Week**

God of such amazing love,  
How do I begin to “celebrate”  
the passion and death of your Son Jesus?  
It is so easy to think of a child in a manger  
in Bethlehem with angels and shepherds and wise men;  
It is quite another thing to think of a man  
betrayed and abandoned . . . beaten and crowned and crucified.  
I want to look the other way and not watch,  
to not stay with Jesus in his suffering.  
Give me the strength I need  
to truly share in His sacrifice,  
bringing my own weaknesses and imperfections;  
Give me the strength I need  
to truly feel the greatness of His love for me  
which is a reflection of your love.  
Help me to bring all that I am,  
for that is what you’ve made me,  
as I journey with Jesus  
throughout this Holy Week.  
In His Name, I pray. Amen.

~Mike J