

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS Reflections by Jenny Hawke

### 6. TORTURE

**Jesus was taken to Calvary, the place where he was to be executed. He was stripped of his own clothes and dressed up like a pretend king. Then he was mocked and tortured.**

**Torture is a powerful weapon because it strips away a person's dignity and humanity. Jesus was powerless, naked and defenceless.**

**The times in which we live are full of uncertainty, and we are constantly aware of just how vulnerable life is.**

Then Pilate took Jesus and flogged him. And the soldiers twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head and arrayed him in a purple robe. They came up to him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" and struck him with their hands. John 19 v 1-3

*The theme of torture was more of an obvious one but I hope I have depicted it with enough emotion for the horror that it was. Jenny Hawke*

**Can you think of ways in which people have used language to humiliate or diminish you or others you know?**



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