

(N2 - Friar V.V. of J. and M.)

"Jesus Scourged at the Column"...

FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO – JOHN -:

"[Pilate said to the Jews:] 'You have a custom that I release one prisoner to you at Passover. Do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?' They cried out again: 'Not this one but Barabbas!'...Then Pilate took Jesus and had him scourged." (John 18:39 – 19:1)

MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Today, Lord, have we – under a subtle temptation – slandered or lashed out with our tongues behind the backs of those who couldn't defend themselves? Lord, save us from this scourge of the tongue! For it is written, regarding those who continue in this kind of behavior, "Neither the immoral nor slanders will inherit the Kingdom of God!" (cf. 1Cor 6:10). (cf. SLC, p. 307)

FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to lashing out and speaking badly behind other people's backs, the *Code of Canon Law* says: "No one is permitted to harm illegitimately the good reputation which a person possesses nor to injure the right of any person to protect his or her own privacy." (CIC 220)

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FREE AND PERSONAL MEDITATION

(for a personal contribution to give to those who listen):

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Then follows ...

- 1 Our Father ...
- 5 Hail Mary
- 1 Glory be to the Father ... (Sung)
- Praised be,,,
- O my Jesus, forgive us... Mary, Queen of Peace ...
- Then, a quick song relevant to the mystery / or one sings: "Aveeeee, Aveeeee, Ave Maria"