

Wholehearted

You Win

One of the primary difficulties for us as Christians is to truly understand our role in the story of Christ's Passion. Our role is difficult to face. Our role is that "I am responsible for the death of Christ". But Merciful Love reveals another role we can exercise: we can console Jesus in His agony, suffering, and death. How? We console Jesus by allowing Him to extend the mercy He won for us to us. By trusting Jesus in our weakness...by bringing our sin and our broken hearts to Jesus in Confession, we are giving Him the victory that He gave everything to accomplish. By letting Jesus forgive us in Confession, we are consoling His Heart by not allowing His sacrifice to go to waste on us.

Discussion Questions

1. If the story of the past week of your life was a literary (or movie) genre, what genre would it be? Please explain.
 2. We can often see the suffering of others as admirable without connecting it to our story. We do this with soldiers, but we also do it with parents and friends who have sacrificed for us. Have you ever noticed this? Who has sacrificed for you? Please explain.
 3. What is your reaction to the truth, "I did that to Him"?
 4. We console Jesus by trusting Him with our weakness and sin. Are there any things that hold you back from trusting completely? Please share.
 5. Jesus begs the Father for "Just one more" soul to receive His mercy. Who is the "one more" you are praying for this week?
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God in Real Life

1. This week, console the pierced Heart of Jesus by going to Confession and letting Him win.
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To the Heart

"I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me." ~ Galatians 2:20