

Ninth Hour : From 1 to 2 AM

Thrown from a ledge, Jesus falls into the Cedron stream

As You see that no one has remained faithful to You, your Heart catches
And You burst into crying.
You feel more pain for the abandonment of your most faithful ones, than for what the
very enemies are doing to You.
My Jesus, do not cry. Or rather, let me cry together with You.

And lovable **Jesus seems to say:**

“Ah, child,

let us cry together

- over the *lot of so many souls consecrated to Me*, who,
over little trials, over incidents of life, no longer take care of Me and leave Me alone.

Let us cry together

- for many others, timid and cowardly, who, for lack of courage and trust, abandon Me;
- for many upon many who, not finding their own advantage in holy things,
do not care about Me.

Let us cry together

- for many priests who preach, who celebrate, who confess
for love of interest and of self-glory.

These show that they are around Me, but I remain always alone!

Ah, child, how hard is this abandonment for Me!

Not only do my eyes cry, but my Heart bleeds!

O please, I beg you to repair my bitter pain

- by promising that you will not leave Me alone.”

Yes, O my Jesus, I promise, helped by your grace,

- identifying myself with your Divine Will.