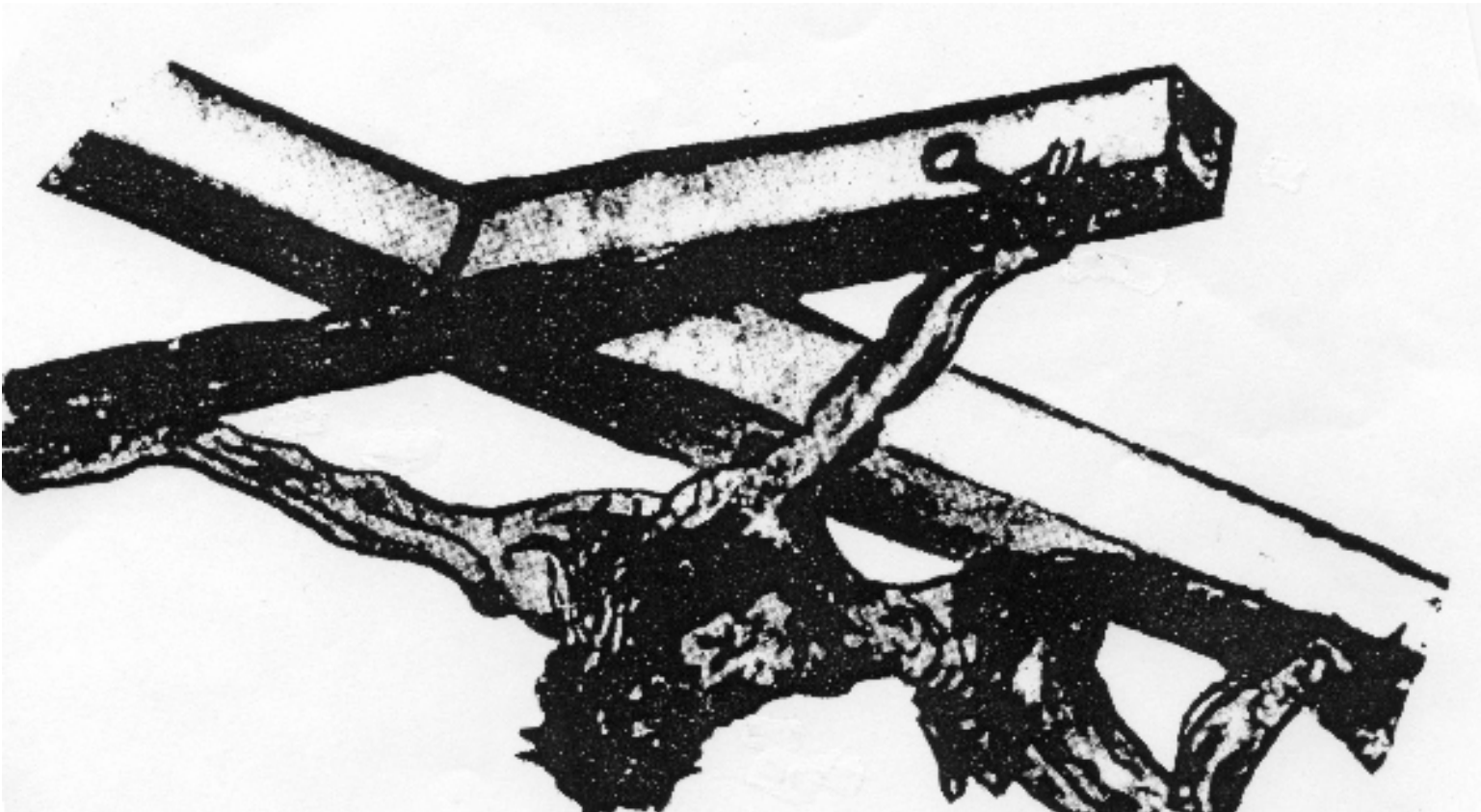


‘There is someone here among you whom you do not know’ (John 1:26).

‘There is one God;  
there is one mediator between God and humankind,  
Christ Jesus, himself human,  
who gave himself a ransom for all’(1 Timothy 2:5).



**Drawing by Saint  
John of the Cross**

## God and the 'outsider' (Mark 1:40-45).

- ‘The person who has the leprous disease shall wear torn clothes and let the hair of his head be disheveled; and he shall cover his upper lip and cry out, “Unclean, unclean.” He shall remain unclean as long as he has the disease. He shall live alone; his dwelling shall be outside the camp’ (Lev 13:45-46).
- ‘A leper came to him begging him, and kneeling he said to him, “If you want to, you can make me clean.” Moved with profound emotion, Jesus reached out and embraced him, and said to him, “Of course I want to. Be made clean!” ... The leper went out and began to spread the word, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into a town, but stayed outside in places where nobody dwelt. Even so, people kept coming to him.’

‘What do you want me to do for you’ (Mark 10:46-52).

‘As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.

When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of David, have mercy on me!”

Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.” And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is calling you.”

So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.

Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?”

The blind man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.”

Jesus said to him, “Go; your faith has made you well.”

Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.’



Matthew 11:28-29

‘Come to me,  
all you that are weary  
and are carrying heavy burdens,  
and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you,  
and learn from me;  
for I am gentle  
and humble in heart,  
and you will find rest  
for your souls.’





John 19:32-34

‘Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who had been crucified with him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs. Instead, one of the soldiers pierced his side with a spear, and at once blood and water came out.’

Mark 15:39

‘When the centurion, who stood facing him, saw how Jesus died, he said: Truly this man was God’s Son!’

Philippians 2:6-9

‘Being in the form of God,  
Jesus did not regard equality with God  
as something to be grasped,  
but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,  
he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.

Therefore God highly exalted him.’