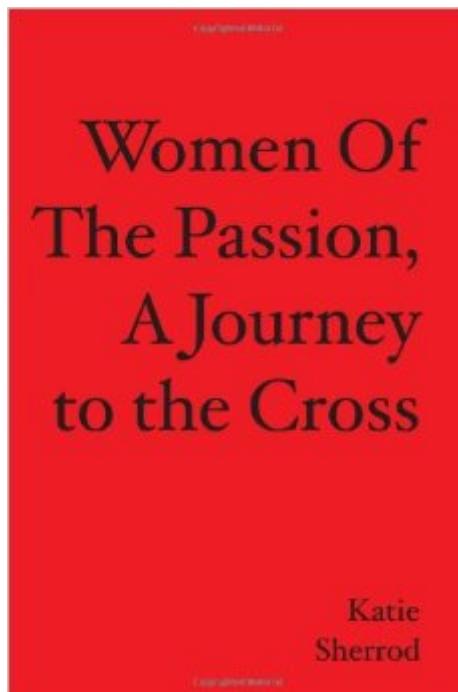


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# WOMEN OF THE PASSION, A Journey To The Cross



## **Synopsis**

Women of the Passion offers readers a unique Lenten encounter. Women from Scripture who were transformed by their encounters with Jesus narrate the story of Christ's Passion through the traditional 14 Stations of the Cross. Readers will experience the Passion through the eyes of such women as the widow with the mite, the woman with the flow of blood, the bent-over woman, the woman taken in adultery, and, of course, Mary Magdalene and Mary, the mother of Jesus. The book sets the stage with the anointing of Jesus by a woman, his denial by Peter as described by the High Priest's maid, and the dream of Pilate's wife. Then, Station by Station, readers accompany Jesus on his journey to the Cross. The book ends with Mary's wild grief over the loss of her son and the peace she finds as she places him in the tomb. Women of the Passion is perfect for Lenten retreats or as a Lenten program, especially during Holy Week. It is suitable for use by mixed groups of women and men, young and old.

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## **Customer Reviews**

This is a profoundly moving account of Jesus' crucifixion, seen through the eyes of the women in attendance. This is the second year that the Bible Study group at my church has used the book as a source of shared reading. It is frequently the cause of tears--both during the ghastly cruelty of the Roman soldiers and, of course, at the end. The structure of these speeches is based on the Stations of the Cross, told in the first person, each voice distinct. It is a remarkable piece of work and I recommend it to anyone who wants to know more about the beginnings of the Christian faith.

This literate and imaginative set of meditations offers another "take" on the Stations. They feature the women who were present and some emotions and thoughts they might well have had. These work well for a group's participation of the Stations and as individual reading and meditating

Was fortunate to be part of the presentation of this at St. Christopher's in Fort Worth in 2015. A deeply moving experience. Great to see the Passion from the perspective of the women who knew Jesus, or were otherwise present at the time.

This is an outstanding piece of literature! Thought-provoking, stirring, haunting, uplifting, spiritual...as well as beautifully written. I was/am so entranced with this work that I will read it repeatedly and be moved by new nuances in each story. This, to me, and all I have read or sent it to is a classic. Sincere thanks to the author, and publisher for bringing this to the masses.

For the past three years, my Episcopal church has used Katie Sherrod's meditations as the basis for our Stations of the Cross during Holy Week. This year I had the privilege of producing a pilgrimage for our congregation using this material. As the 'pilgrims' reached each station, they were greeted by a woman in a shawl and other props (mop bucket, seashells, etc.) and the woman told her story, using Ms. Sherrod's words. We heard from the Crippled Woman, the Syrophenean Mother, the Adulteress and others. The last three Stations tell the story through the words and hearts of Mary Magdalene and Mary the Mother of Jesus. This was the most meaningful experience I have ever witnessed at the Stations of the Cross, and I believe the same can be said for others in attendance. Next year, I hope to create the same journey, figuring a way to include the other 3 meditations that are not connected to a Station. Thank you, Ms. Sherrod, for a task extremely well-done.

This is a very moving, spiritual depiction of the 14 stations of the Cross from a woman's viewpoint. The Rev. John T. Smith

Walk the Way of the Cross with the women who surrounded Jesus. Really excellent resource.

It brought to life for me, the women that were devoted to Jesus during his life on earth. When his disciples deserted him the women did not.

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