Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Year B

Proverbs 1:20-33 and Psalm 19 or Wisdom of Solomon 7:26 - 8:1 • Isaiah 50:4-9a and Psalm 116:1-9
James 3:1-12 • Mark 8:27-38

Wisdom cries out in the street; in the squares she raises her voice. … "How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing and fools hate knowledge?"

Proverbs 1:20

Symbol of Wisdom

Pieter d'Hont
Spinoza Bridge
Utrecht, Netherlands

Matriarch, or, Grandmother and Granddaughter -- Victor Navarro Guedes, Canary Islands, Spain

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

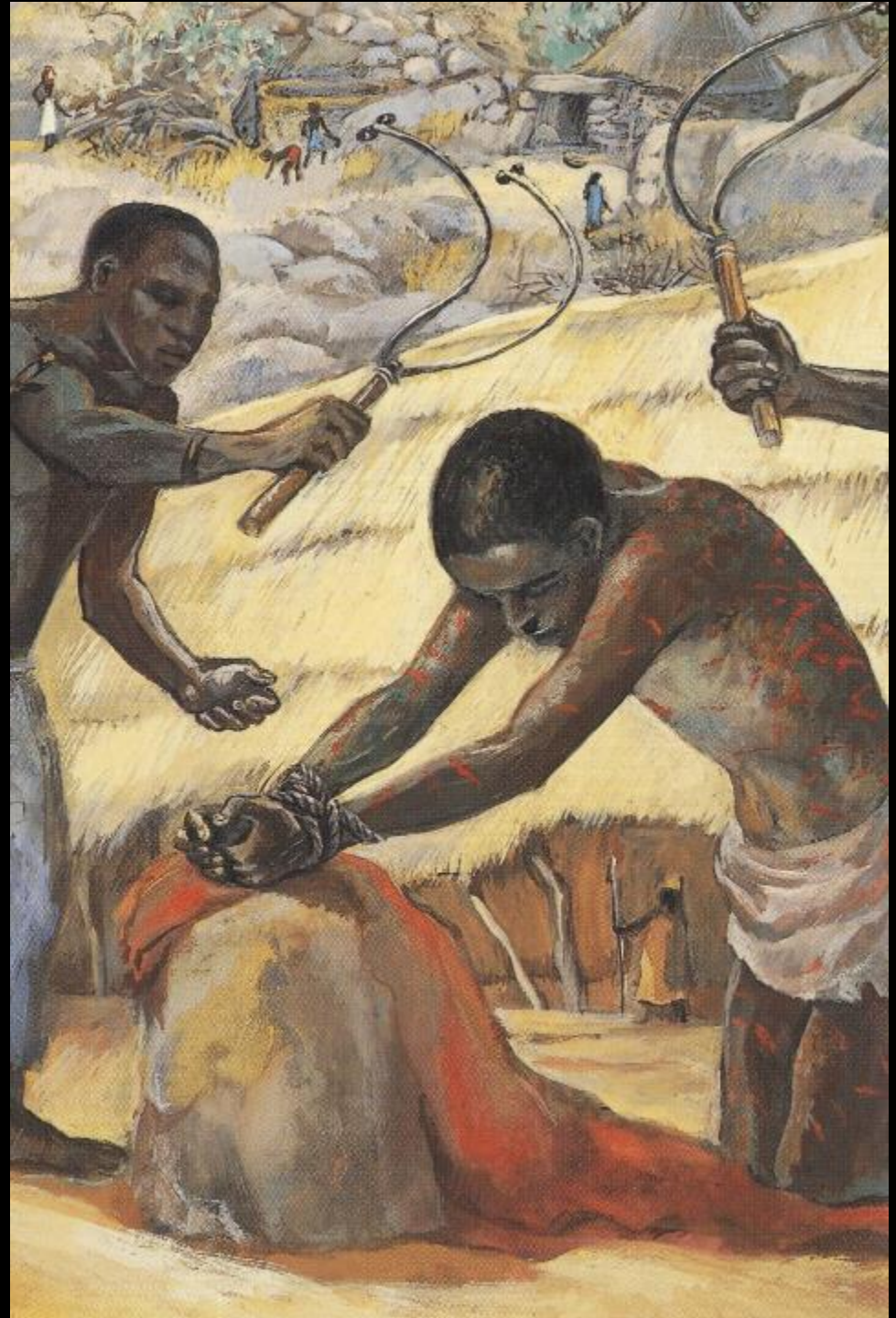
Psalm 19

Meditation (Prayer)

Alexej von Jawlensky
Lenbachhaus
Munich, Germany

I gave my back to those who
struck me, and my cheeks to
those who pulled out the beard;
I did not hide my face from insult
and spitting.

Isaiah 50:6



Flagellation

JESUS MAFA
Cameroon

… no one can tame the tongue …
With it we bless the Lord and Father,
and with it we curse those who are
made in the likeness of God.

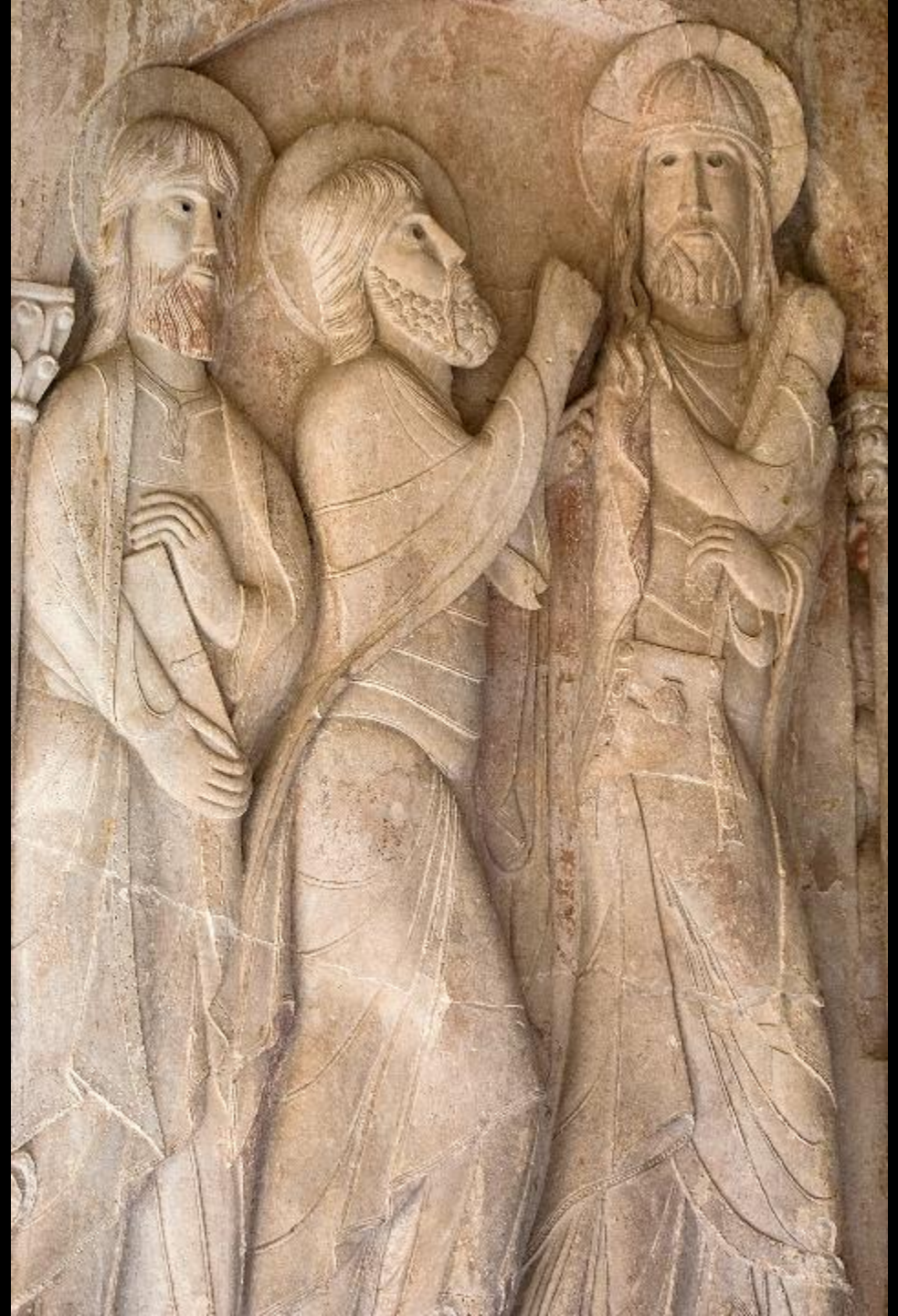
James 3:8a, 9

Hypocrite and Slanderer

Franz Messerschmidt
Metropolitan Museum
New York, NY

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?"

Mark 8:27



Christ with Disciples
Abbey of Santo
Domingo de Silos

Santo Domingo de
Silos, Spain

And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets."

Mark 8:28

John the Baptist -- Father George Saget, Keur Moussa Abbey, Senegal

He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah."

Mark 8:29

Behold the Lamb of God, Peter Acclaims Christ -- Chartres Cathedral, Chartres, France

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

Mark 8:31

Angel of the Resurrection

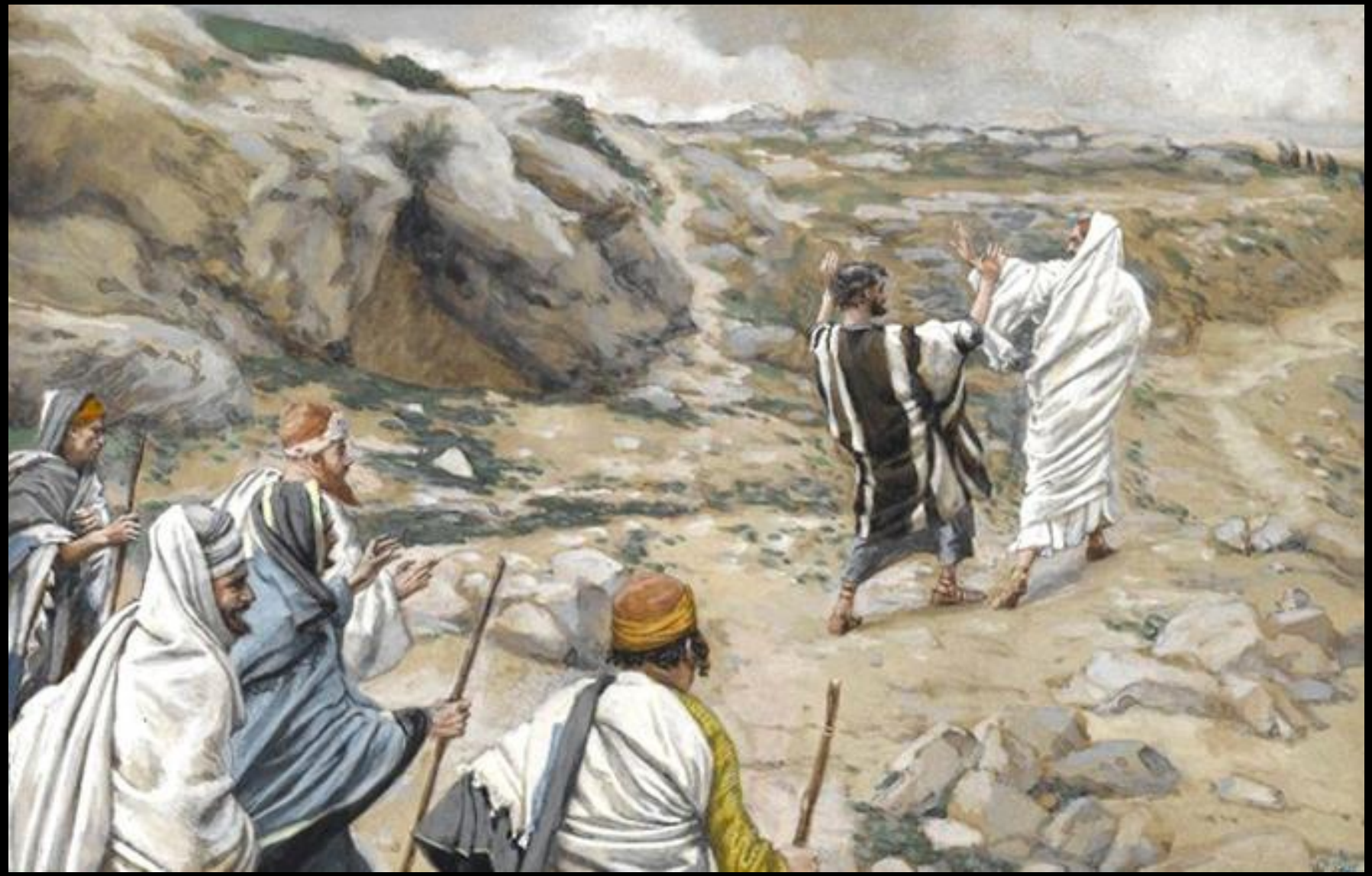
World War II Memorial
Philadelphia, PA

He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him.

Mark 8:32

But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

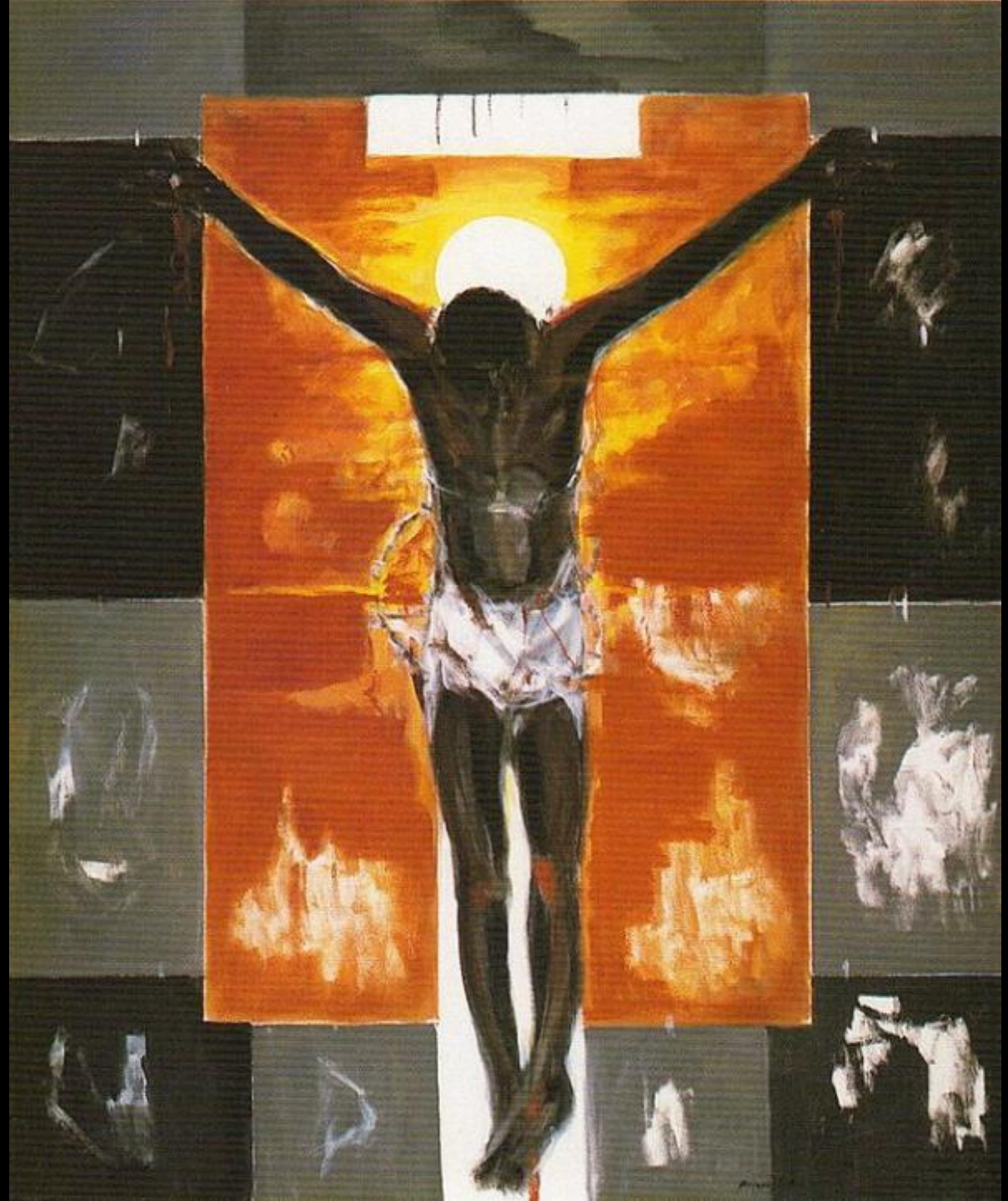
Mark 8:33



"Get Thee Behind Me, Satan!" -- James Tissot, Brooklyn Museum, New York, NY

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

Mark 8:35



Cristo Negro

Ruiz Anglada
Sastago Palace
Zaragoza, Spain

For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it."

Mark 8:35

Manche Masemola,
South African Martyr

Westminster Abbey
London, England

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