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Ilyich in Order

Directions: Below are jumbled ten events from *The Death of Ivan Ilyich*. Put them in the correct sequence (1-10) by writing the correct number/order in the blanks to show the progression of Ivan's decline and realizations.

1. Ivan Ilyich begins experiencing pain in his side and notices a strange taste in his mouth. _____
2. Ivan reflects on his life, questioning whether he lived it "as he ought." _____
3. Ivan marries Praskovya, partly for social expectations. _____
4. Ivan receives his diagnosis from doctors, who give him little hope. _____
5. Ivan achieves a respectable legal career and enjoys climbing the social ladder. _____
6. Ivan's friends and colleagues react to his death with concern mainly for their own promotions. _____
7. Ivan grows increasingly resentful of his family's indifference and fakes normality to avoid pity. _____
8. Ivan experiences unbearable suffering and cries out, "Why me?" _____
9. With Gerasim's help, Ivan begins to accept honesty and compassion. _____
10. At the moment of death, Ivan realizes that compassion and love, and not social status, are what truly matter. _____

Reflection Question: Which moment on the timeline do you think represents Ivan's turning point, and why?
