

Lesson: 124 **The Ministry of Sorrow** **Part A** Volume: 12

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

Lyrics & Music by Thomas A. Dorsey

Precious Lord, take my hand

Lead me on, let me stand

I'm tired, I'm weak, I'm lone

Through the storm, through the night

Lead me on to the light

Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

When my way grows drear precious Lord linger near

When my light is almost gone

Hear my cry, hear my call

Hold my hand lest I fall

Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

When the darkness appears and the night draws near

And the day is past and gone

At the river I stand

Guide my feet, hold my hand

Take my hand precious Lord, lead me home

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MISSION STATEMENT

Foundation Progressive Sabbath Advent Ministries (FPSAM), Inc. exists to build upon the four **PILLARS** (*Mental*, *Physical*, *Spiritual* and *Social*) that **GUIDED** Jesus' life.

VISION

All Foundation Progressive Sabbath Advent Ministries (FPSAM), Inc. members will use the four pillars to establish and build their personal life and that of others.

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"Don't Accommodate Eliminate"

MOTTO

"Building on FOUR"

TEXT

"And Jesus increased in wisdom (Mental) and stature (Physical & Spiritual), and in favor with God (Spiritual) and man (Social)." **Luke 2:52**

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1. Why is it better to go to the house of mourning than to the house of feasting?

"It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: *for that is the _____ of all _____ and the _____ will _____ it to his _____.*" **Ecclesiastes 7:2**

2. What did David ask God to teach him?

"Lord, _____ me to _____ mine _____, and the measure of my days, what it is, *that _____ may _____ how _____ I am.*" **Psalms 39:4**
See also Psalms 90:12

3. Why is sorrow better than laughter?

"Sorrow is better than laughter: *for by the _____ of the _____ the _____ is made _____.*" **Ecclesiastes 7:3**

NOTE: "Many of the loveliest songs of peace and trust and hope which God's children sing in this world they have been taught in the hushed and darkened chambers of sorrow. . . . Afflictions, sanctified, soften the asperities (**harshness**) of life. They tame the wildness of nature. They temper human ambitions. They burn out the dross of selfishness and worldliness. They humble pride. They quell fierce passions. They reveal to men their own hearts, their own weakness, faults, blemishes, and perils. They teach patience and submission. They discipline unruly spirits. They deepen and enrich our experience."- ***Week-Day Religion,* by J. R. Miller, D. D., pages 92, 93**

4. Does God delight to afflict any?

"For the Lord will not cast off forever: but though He cause grief, yet will He have compassion according to the multitude of His mercies. *For _____ doth _____ willingly nor _____ the _____ of _____.*" **Lamentations 3:31-33**

5. Does He afflict to leave the one chastened in despair?

"Behold, happy is the man whom God correcteth: therefore despise not thou the chastening of the Almighty: *for He maketh _____, and _____ up: He _____, and His _____ make _____.*" **Job 5:17-18**



6. In what language is the same truth again expressed?

"Come, and let us return unto the Lord: for *He hath _____, and He will _____ us; He hath _____, and He will _____ us up.*" **Hosea 6:1. See also Isaiah 61:1-3**

7. Whom does the Lord chasten?

"For *whom the Lord _____ He _____, and _____ every son whom He receiveth.*" **Hebrews 12:6**

8. Is this, for the time being, a source of pleasure?

"Now *no _____ for the _____ seemeth to _____, but _____: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.*" **Hebrews 12:11**

NOTE: "Many of the sweetest joys of Christian hearts are songs which have been learned in the bitterness of trial." "Many a cold, icy nature is made warm and tender by the grief that crushes it."- ***"Week-Day Religion," by J. R. Miller, D. D., pages 91, 93***

9. What, aside from sin, causes more sorrow than all else? Death, or the loss of loved ones.

10. Does death bring to Christians unassuaged sorrow?

"I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, *that ye _____ not, even as _____ which have no _____.*" **1 Thessalonians 4:13**

NOTE: The loss of loved ones God often uses as a means of conversion and of severing the ties which bind to earth. Persecution; sickness; the loss of sight, hearing, or limb; the loss of property; or other calamities may likewise be instrumental in drawing us nearer to God. **See Psalms 119:71; Isaiah 26:9**

11. What do our transient afflictions do for us?

"For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, _____ for _____ a far more _____ and eternal _____ of _____." **2 Corinthians 4:17. See Romans 8:28**

