

Good Friday 2017

“Darkness can and does impact the persons committed to live their lives as the face of God’s providence. Sometimes, after many years, the pattern as darkness as mystery that seemed too obscure to be comprehended, becomes visible through the lens of Providence as gift.”

Myra Rodgers, CDP

Lent has been a time of preparation and repentance leading us to this day when we remember the events leading to Christ’s ultimate Sacrifice and we re-enter that experience with Him. In entering that experience we go through the darkness of the pain, death, and burial of Good Friday to get to the light of the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

If we have honestly spent our Lent in the purification of our inner selves, we have recognized those darkest moments experienced which have impeded our efforts to live as authentic Christian men and women of Providence, and we have prayed for forgiveness and enlightenment; we have prayed for forgiveness and a change of heart.

“We stumble and fall constantly even when we are most enlightened. But when we are in true spiritual darkness, we do not even know we have fallen.”

Thomas Merton, “Thoughts in Solitude.”

Lent is a time for us to discover in what patterns of “darkness” we stumble and fall away from God; and through that discovery we experience the gift of light that leads us away from spiritual darkness to the gift of God’s providential love.

Today, Good Friday, we experience obscurity -- the worst kind of hate and the best kind of love; the darkest of darkness and the most brilliant experience of light. “The mystery that seemed too obscure to comprehend has become visible through the lens of Providence...” and we are saved!

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