

Day 12, Fifteen Days of Hope by Pastor Bruce Johnson

March 27—Words about Direction

St. Jerome is best known for translating the Bible into Latin for the benefit of all Christians throughout the Roman Empire. In addition to this important work for many people, he also worked with Christians one-on-one, encouraging individuals in their personal spiritual growth as disciples of Christ. One tough situation he faced was advising a grieving mother who had lost her daughter. He told her “I cannot adequately extol the mysteries of Scripture, nor sufficiently admire the spiritual meaning conveyed in its most simple words.” Then he used the words of scripture to help her find a way to deal with grief, pointing to Bible examples like Abraham, Moses, Ruth and Naomi. Jerome did not claim to have all the answers, but he knew enough to point his friend back to the wisdom of God’s word.

Are you in need of direction? Prayerfully seek God’s wisdom and continue learn the lessons found in God’s word.

- **Scripture to ponder:** 2 Timothy 3:14-17
- **Song to sing:** Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NHm_p7xj5uQ