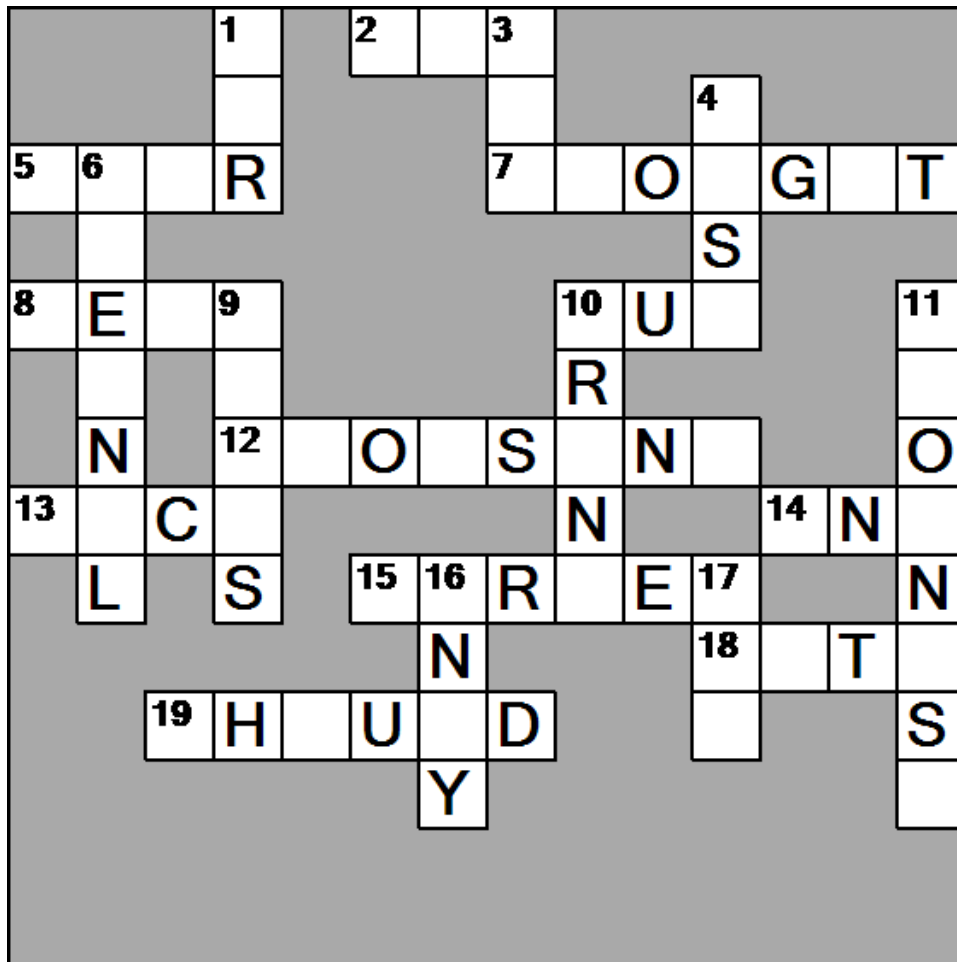


Crossword 3 (The Final Lesson)

Instructions

The crosswords in this series are combined with a poem, poems, or part of a poem. The same word that goes in the blanks in the poem goes into the crossword, as well. Each letter of the word goes on one space in the poem. The text "A-14" means "14 Across" in the crossword, the text "D-9" means "9 Down" in the crossword, and so on. The numbers in parentheses "(01)" are simply the line numbers, starting with 1. If you are not familiar with the poems, you should work the crossword that contains some of the letters. If you are familiar with the poems, then you can try the blank crossword. The solution to the crossword and the complete poems are at the end of this file.



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The Final Lesson (by Alan Steinle)

A-8. (01) When choosing to ___ ___ ___ ___ anguish, hurt, and pain,
A-12. (02) We're ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ but a thick and heavy chain;
A-14. (03) ___ ___ ___ when resentment creeps into a mind,
D-6. (04) ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ peace and joy are undermined.

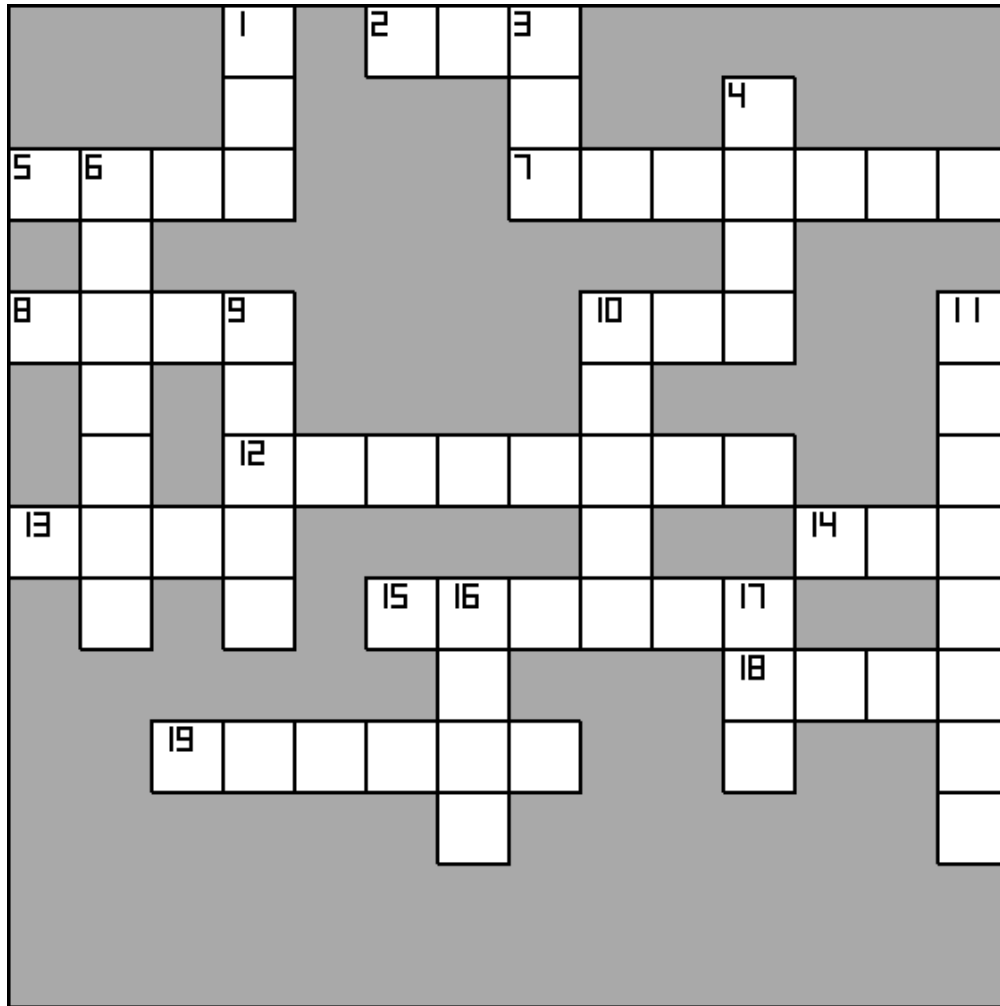
A-15. (05) When choosing to ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ each loveless thought,
D-16. (06) We're ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ doing what the Spirit taught;
D-9. (07) A thought that ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ in love cannot exist;
A-19. (08) It ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ be overlooked, and thus dismissed.

A-10. (09) ___ ___ ___ if we keep the loveless thought in mind,
D-11. (10) We will with less than ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ be aligned;
A-2. (11) And ___ ___ ___ we enter heaven's gates of peace,
D-3. (12) If we do ___ ___ ___ our friends' mistakes release?

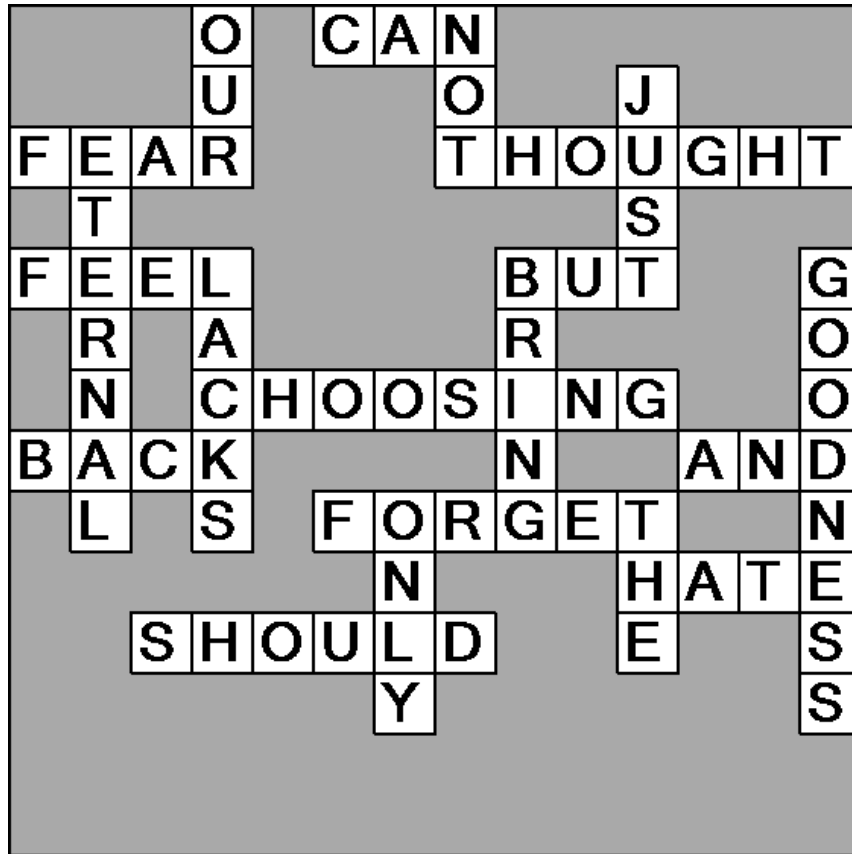
D-10. (13) We can't ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ on this upward journey fast,
A-7. (14) A ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ that comes to us from darkened past;
A-5. (15) To leave at last this world of ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ and pain,
D-4. (16) ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ loosen every unforgiving chain.

D-17. (17) ___ ___ ___ final lesson's one we all must learn,
A-18. (18) So ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ does cease in all our minds to burn;
A-13. (19) Go ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ to giving what we want to take,
D-1. (20) And from ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ dreams of darkness all awake.

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When choosing to feel anguish, hurt, and pain,
We're choosing but a thick and heavy chain;
And when resentment creeps into a mind,
Eternal peace and joy are undermined.

When choosing to forget each loveless thought,
We're only doing what the Spirit taught;
A thought that lacks in love cannot exist;
It should be overlooked, and thus dismissed.

But if we keep the loveless thought in mind,
We will with less than goodness be aligned;
And can we enter heaven's gates of peace,
If we do not our friends' mistakes release?

We can't bring on this upward journey fast,
A thought that comes to us from darkened past;
To leave at last this world of fear and pain,
Just loosen every unforgiving chain.

The final lesson's one we all must learn,
So hate does cease in all our minds to burn;
Go back to giving what we want to take,
And from our dreams of darkness all awake.