

# Parce Mihi Domine

Words from Job 7

Cristóbal de Morales (1500-1553)  
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*Spare me, Lord,* *for my days are of nothing.*  
♩ = 84 *With some flexibility*

pp  
Par - ce mi - hi, Do - mi - ne, ni - hil e - nim sunt di - es me - i.

*What is man,* *that you should make so much of us?* *Or why should you...*

mp  
Quid est ho - mo, qui - a mag - ni - fi - cas e - um? Aut quid ap -

*set your heart upon us?* *You visit us at dawn,*

mf  
-po - nis er - ga e - um cor tu - um? Vi - si - tas e - um di - lu - cu -

*and put us to the test at any moment.* *If I have sinned,*

f p  
-lo et su - bit - to pro - bas il - lum. Pec - ca - vi, quid

*how have I hurt you,*

*O guardian of mankind?*

*Why have you...*

fa - ci - am ti - bi, O cus - tos ho - - mi - num? Qua - re po - su - is - ti

*set me up as your target*

*so that I am now a burden to myself?*

me con - tra - ri - um ti - bi, et fac - tus sum mi - - hi - me - tip - si gra

*Why do you not forgive my sin*

*and why do you not take away my guilt?*

vis? Cur non tol - lis pec - ca - tum me - um, et qua - re non au - fers i -

*Behold, I shall now lie down in the dust:*

- ni - qui - ta - tem me - - am? Ec - ce, nunc in pul - ve - re dor - mi - am, et

*if you come looking for me*

*I shall have ceased to exist.*

si ma - ne me quae - si - e - ris, non sub - si - stam.