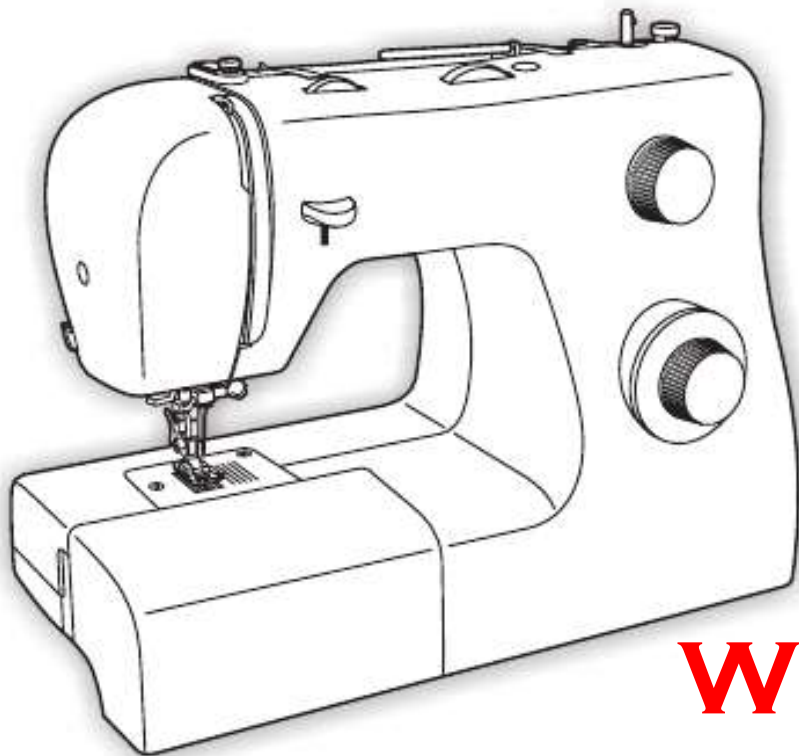


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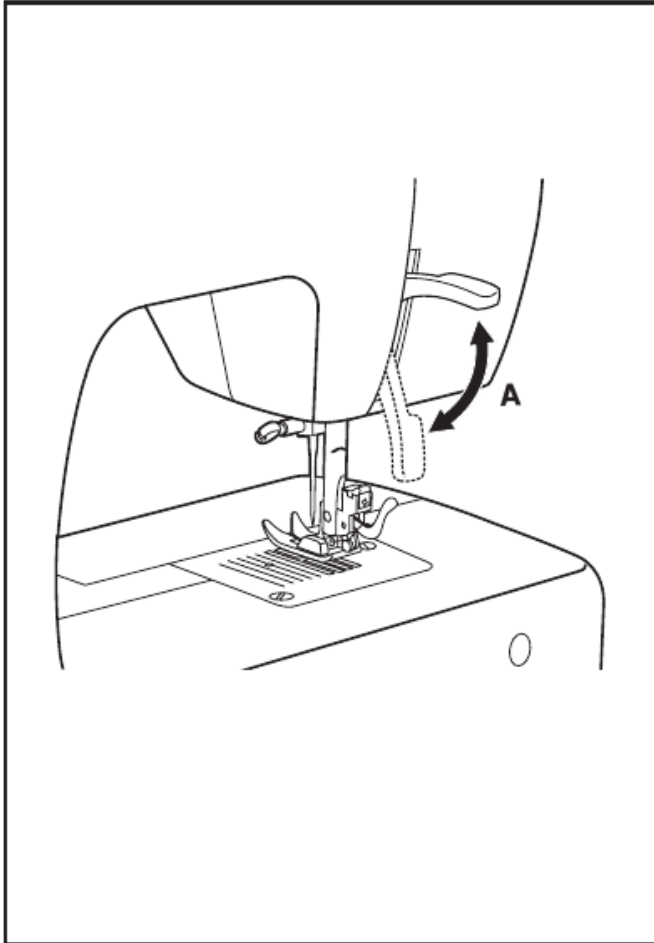


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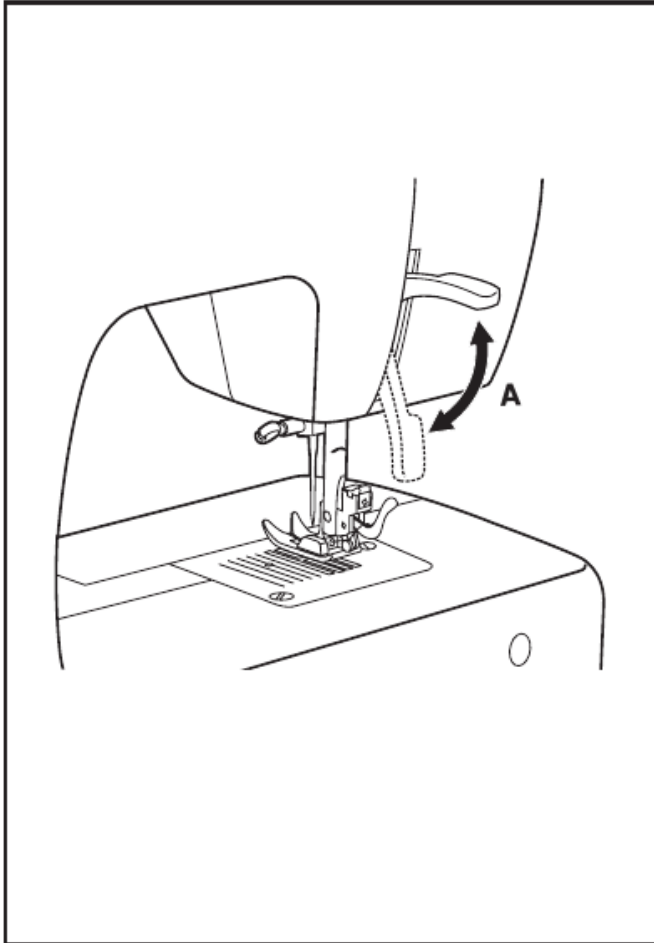
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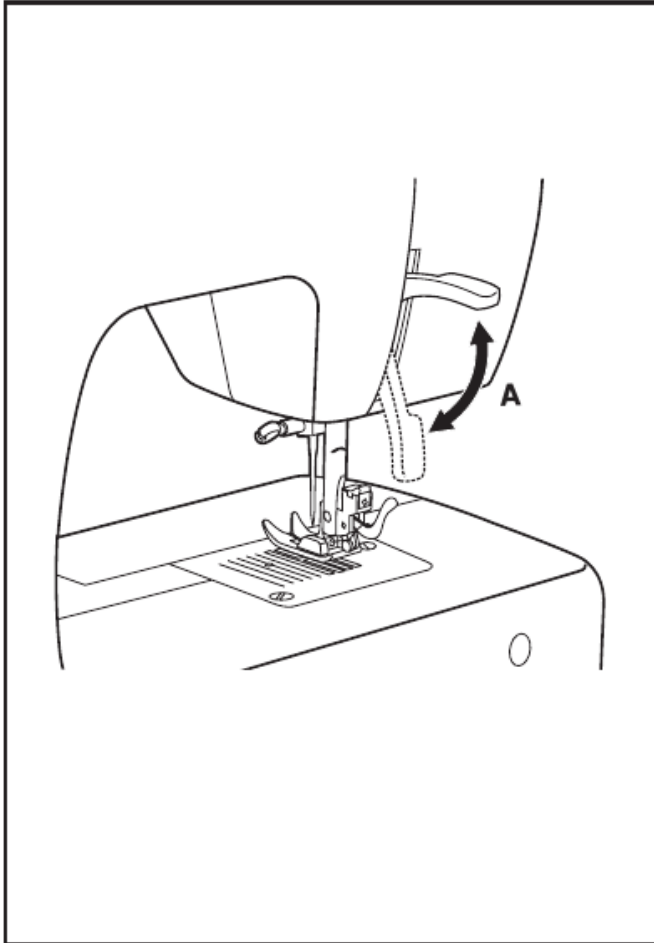


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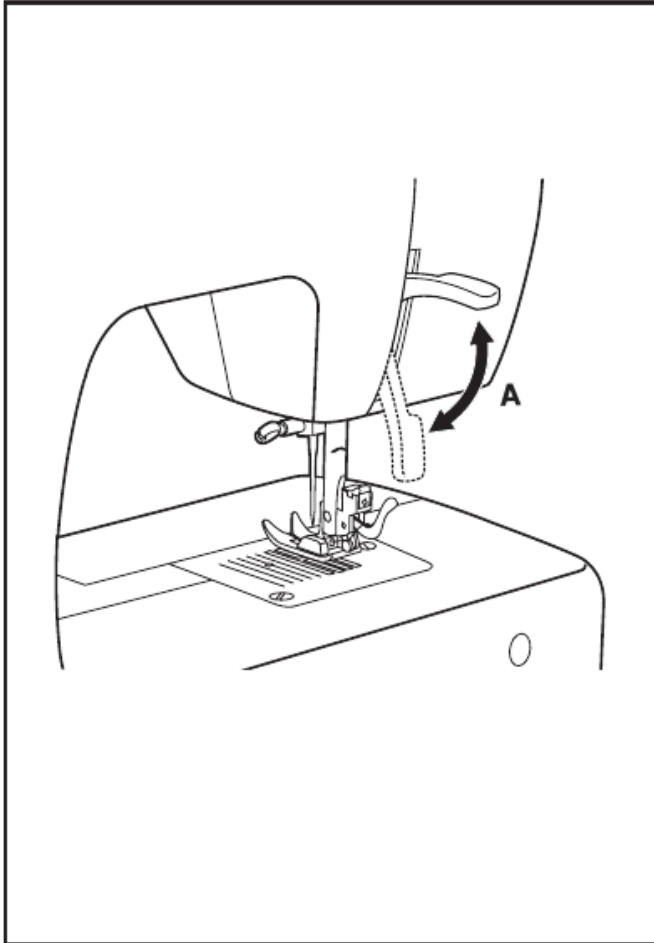


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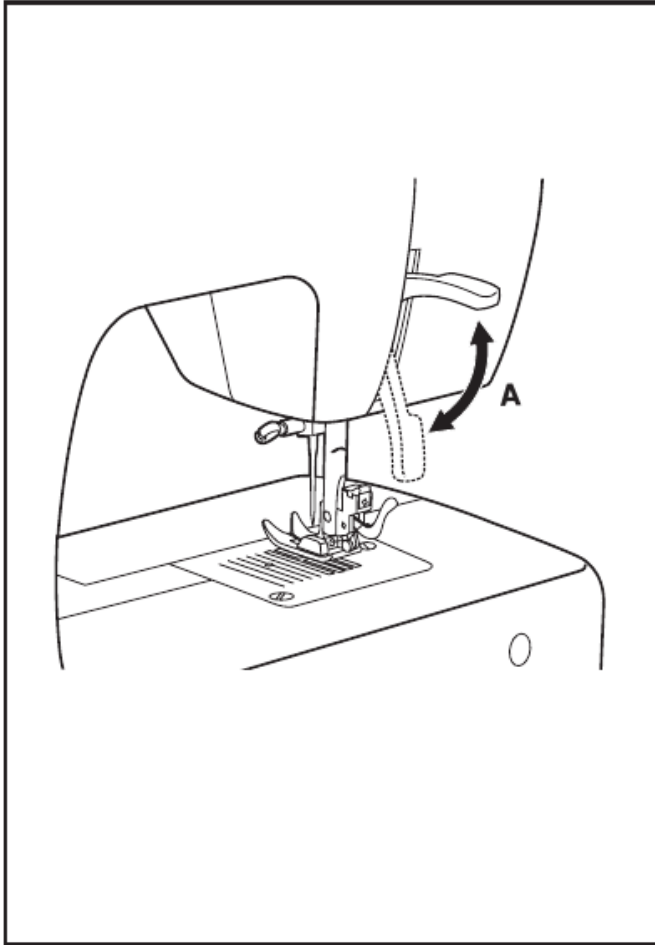
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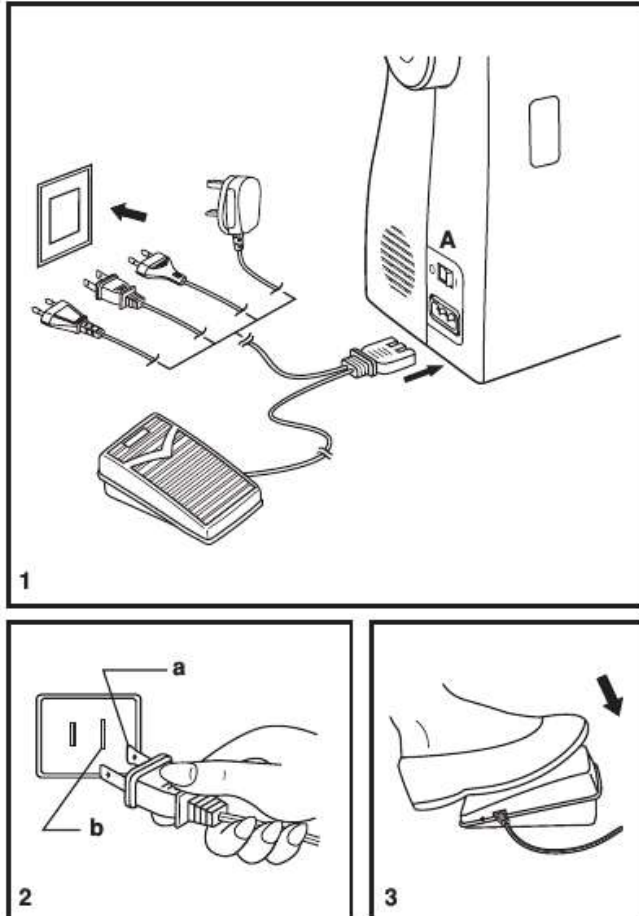
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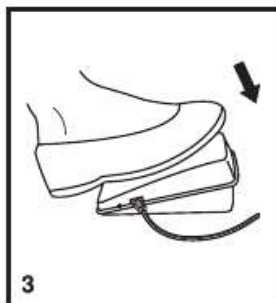
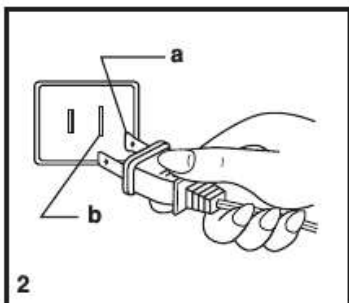
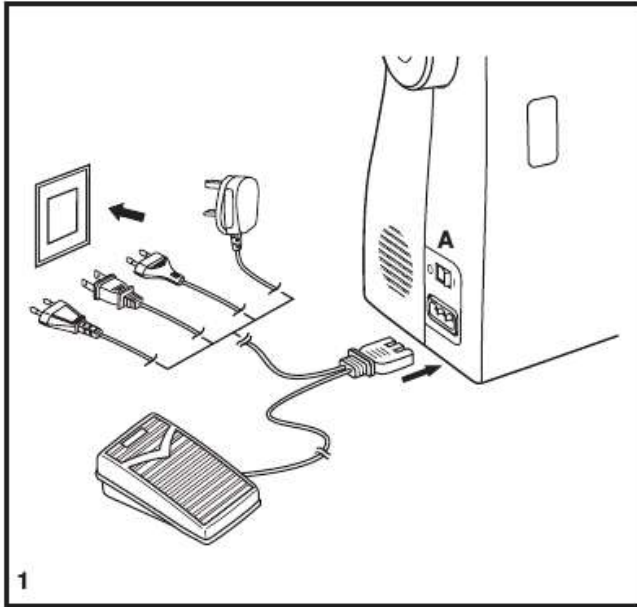


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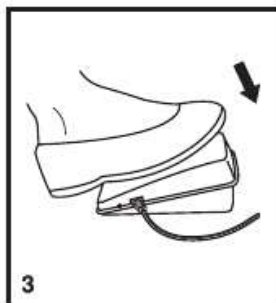
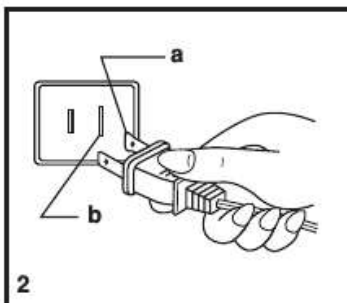
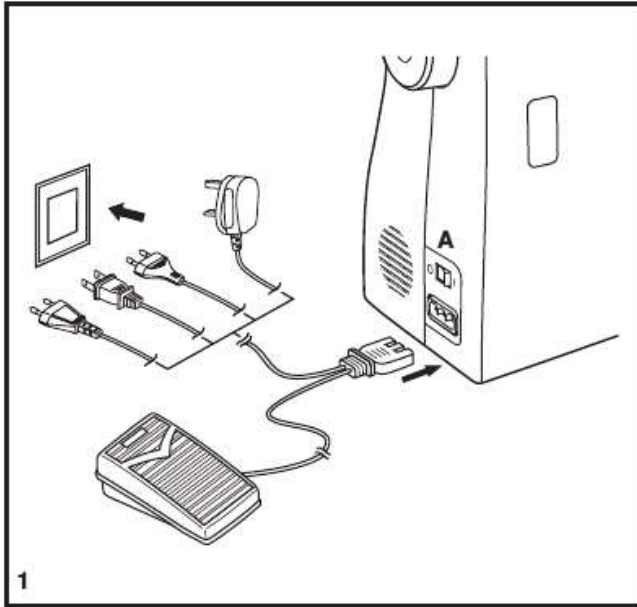


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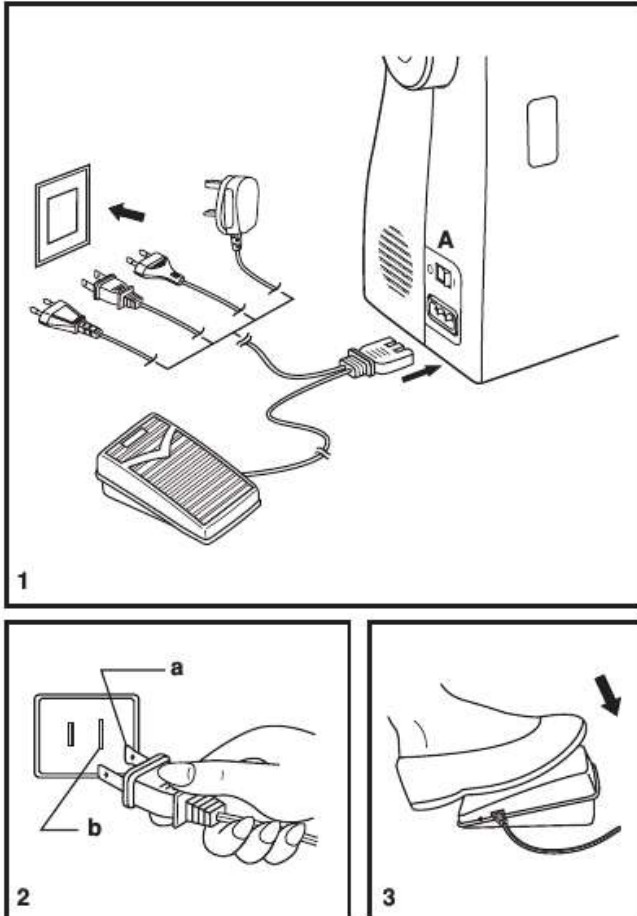
My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism.



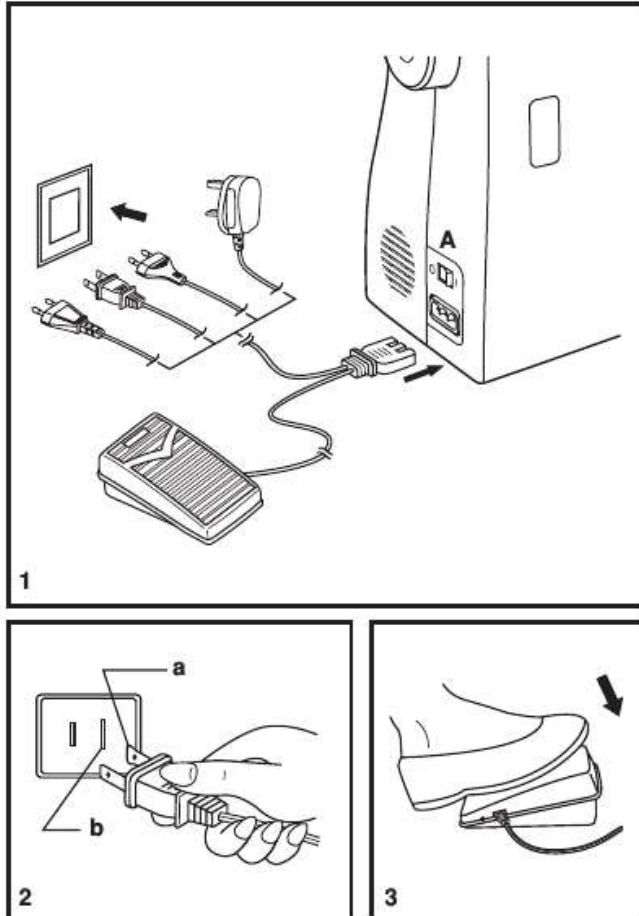
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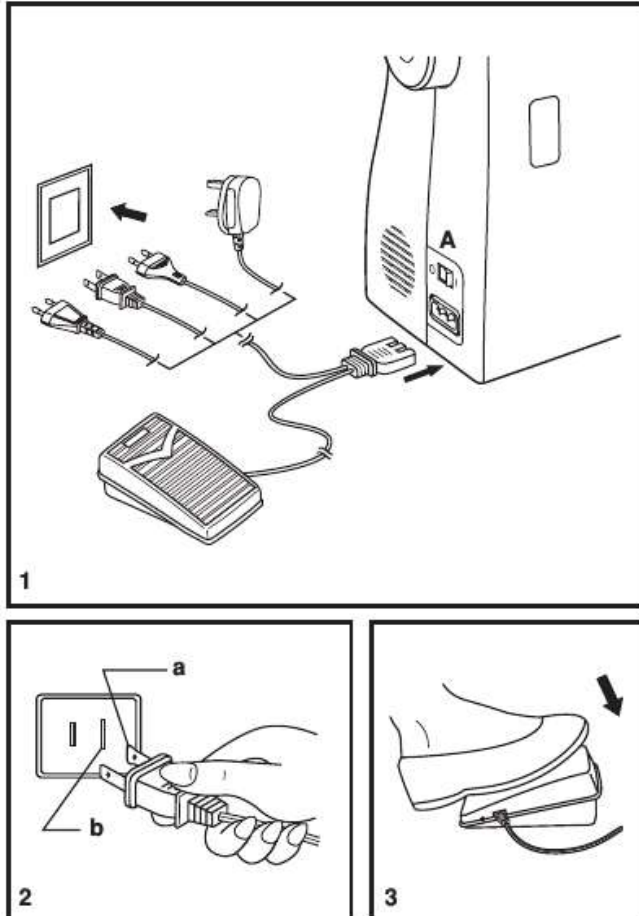
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“Don’t just look at a person’s face, or outward appearance. Don’t be biased in your judgment by clothing, wealth, or position!”

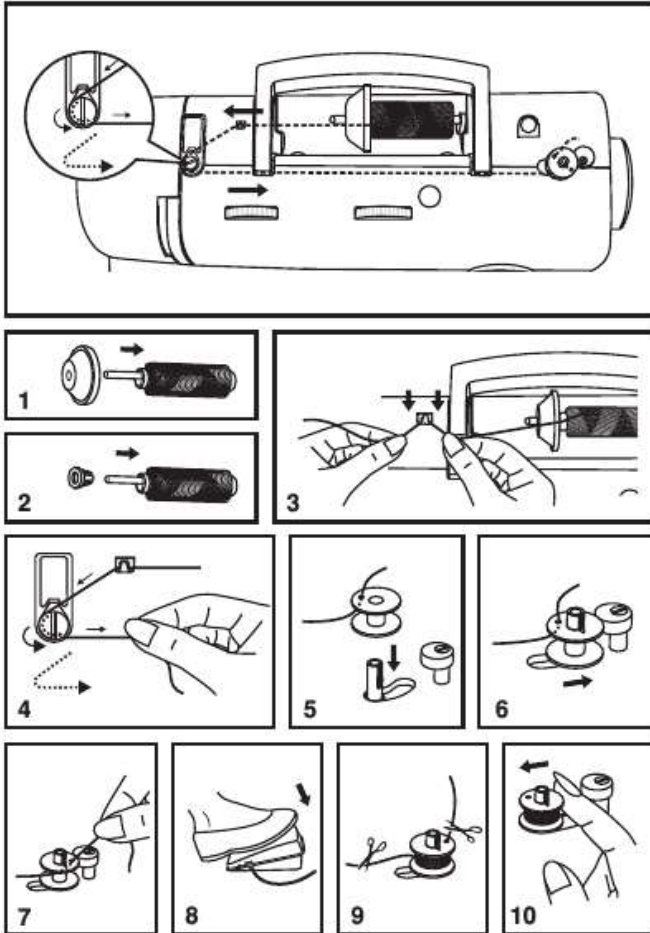


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If I'm focused on being quick to listen and slow to speak, along with getting rid of the old speech and replacing with spiritual speech I'll be able to keep a tight rein on my tongue



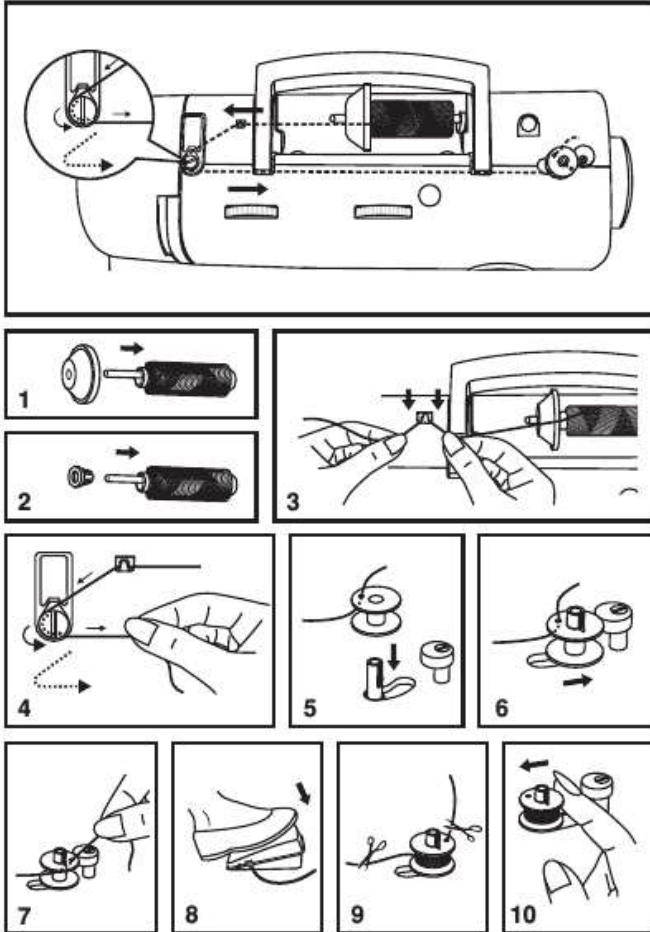
Luke 4:18-19

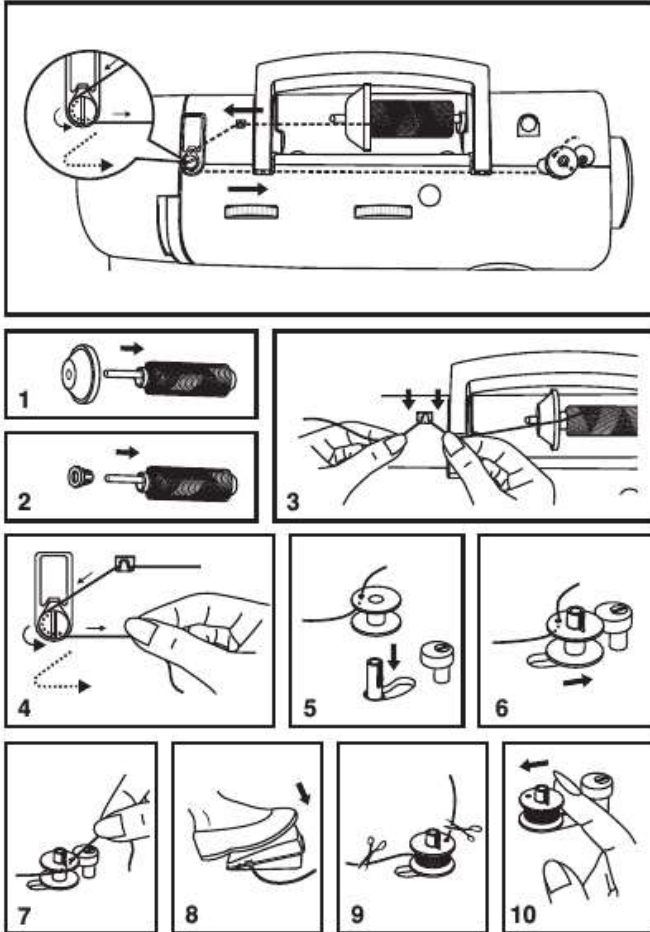
“The Spirit of the LORD is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, ¹⁹ and that the time of the LORD’s favor has come.”



James 2:2-4

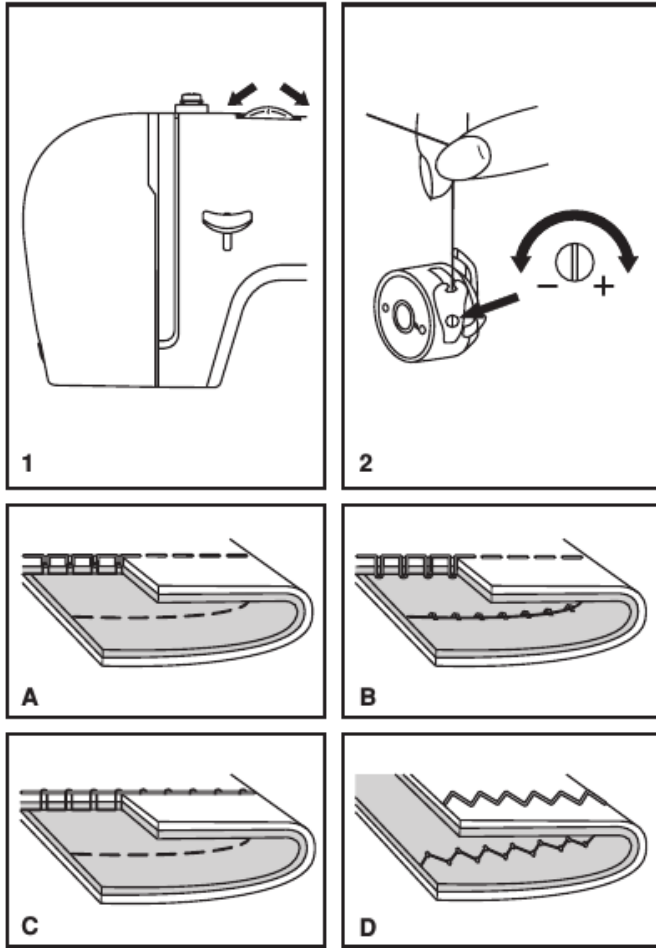
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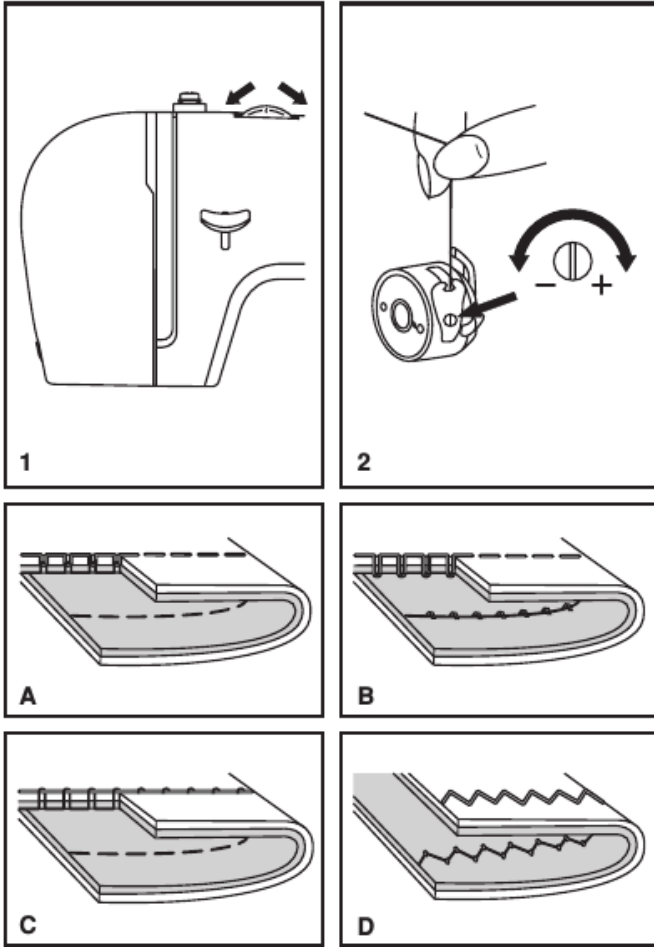
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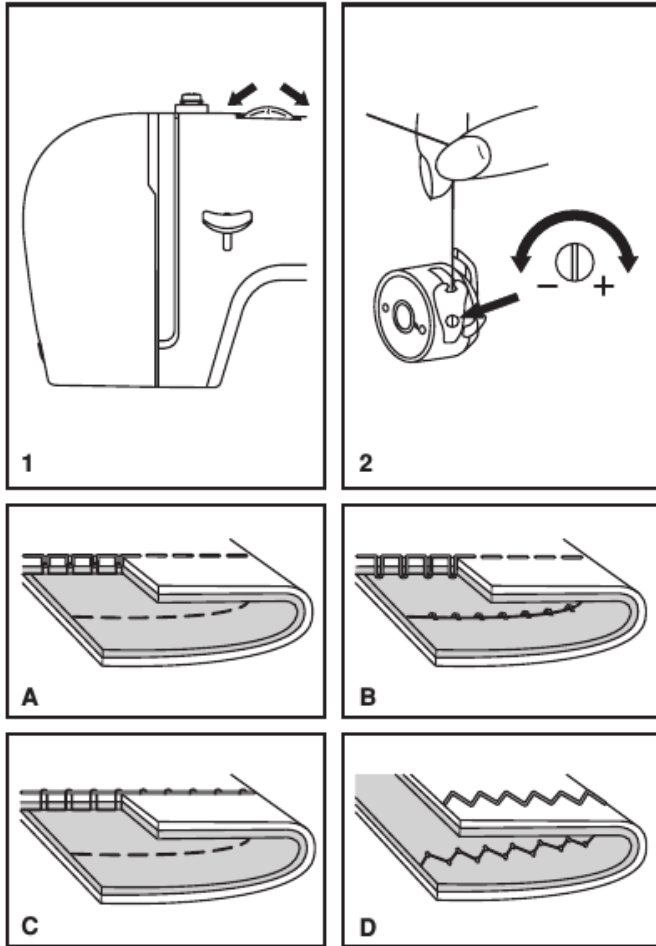
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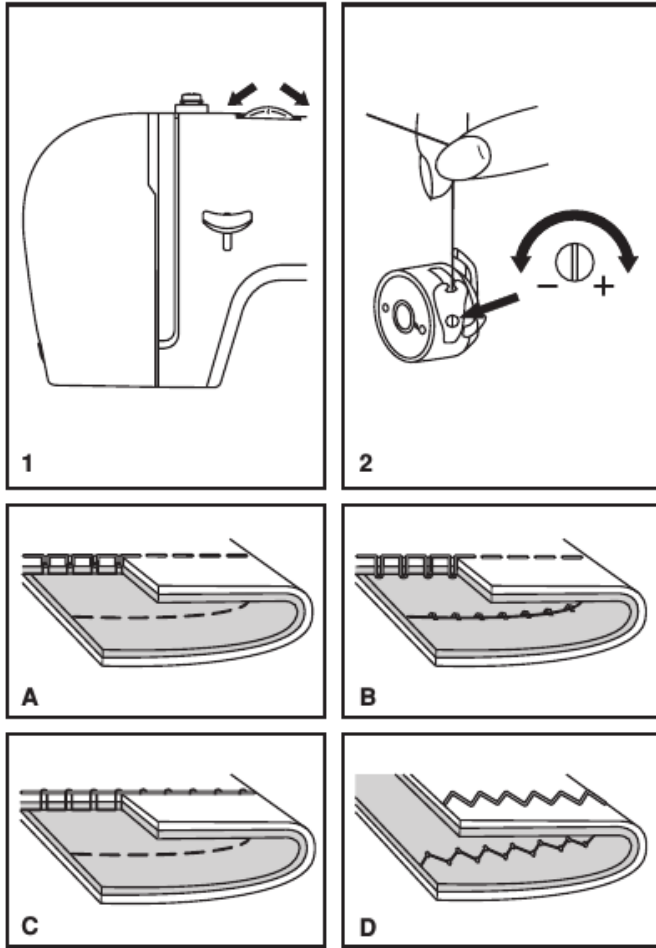
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He did not set up a restricted circle, but reached out beyond the Godhead to include those who had no hope of being included. His grace reaches out to bring you into His circle.
C.S. Lewis



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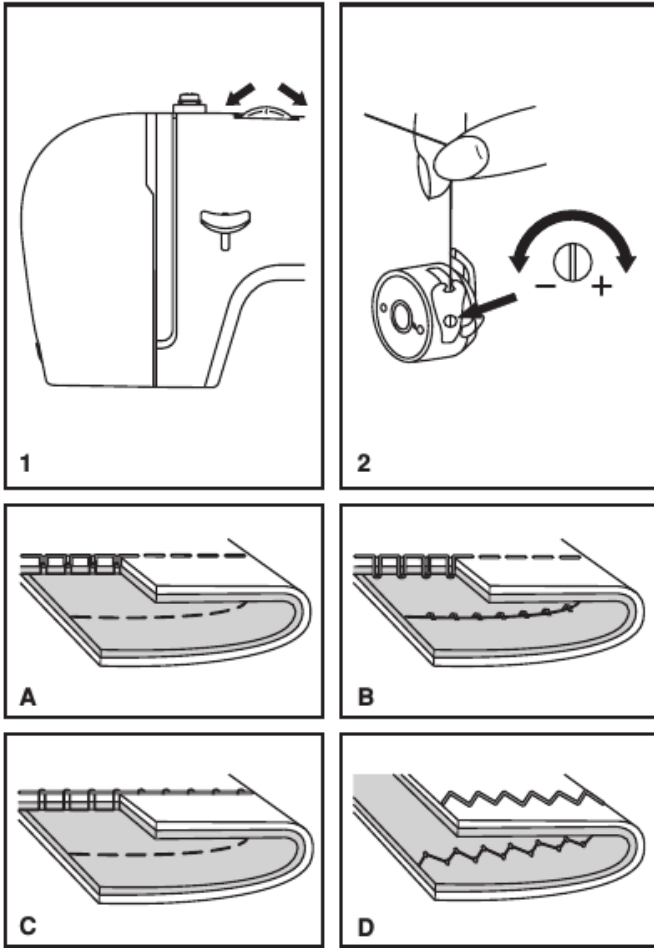
...In the perspective of Christ we are all poor; we are all underprivileged; we are all nobodies who only by his grace have become somebody in responding to the gospel? We of all people ought to go to those who have no stature in this world's eyes so that as the gospel is preached and they respond to it they might find stature before God
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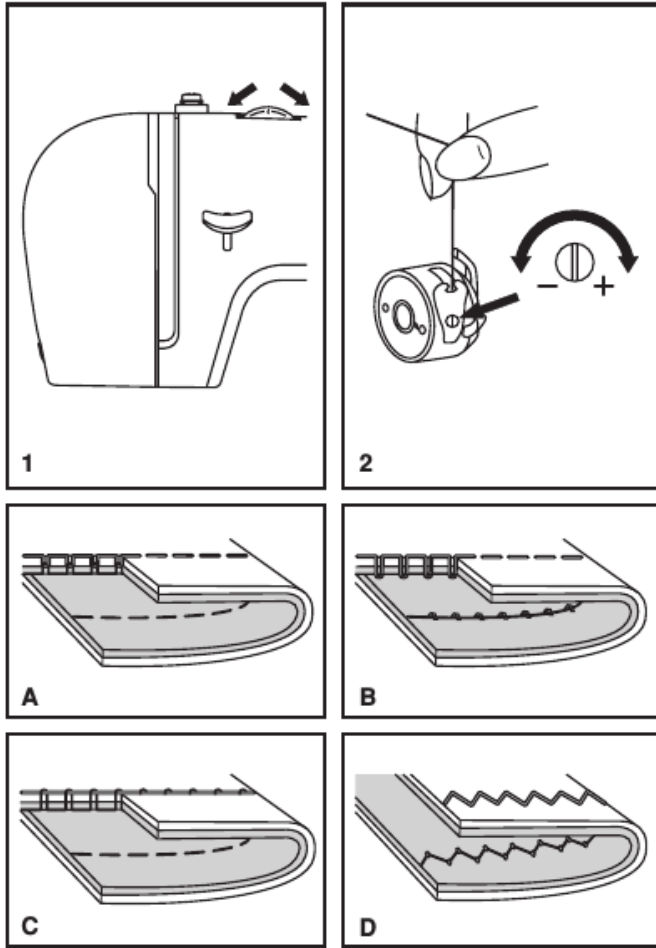
Deuteronomy 10:17-19

“For the LORD your God is the God of gods and Lord of lords. He is the great God, the mighty and awesome God, who shows no partiality and cannot be bribed. ¹⁸ He ensures that orphans and widows receive justice. He shows love to the foreigners living among you and gives them food and clothing. ¹⁹ So you, too, must show love to foreigners, for you yourselves were once foreigners in the land of Egypt.



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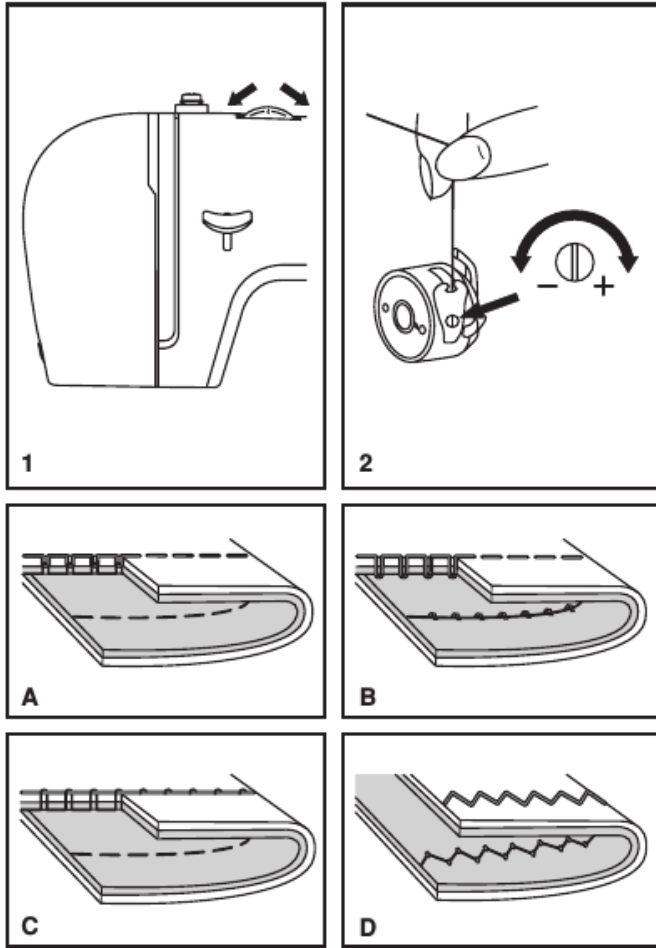
ATTENTION:
*God wasn't forced to
settle for the poor; He
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It Is Inconsistent With The Word of God

James 2:8-11

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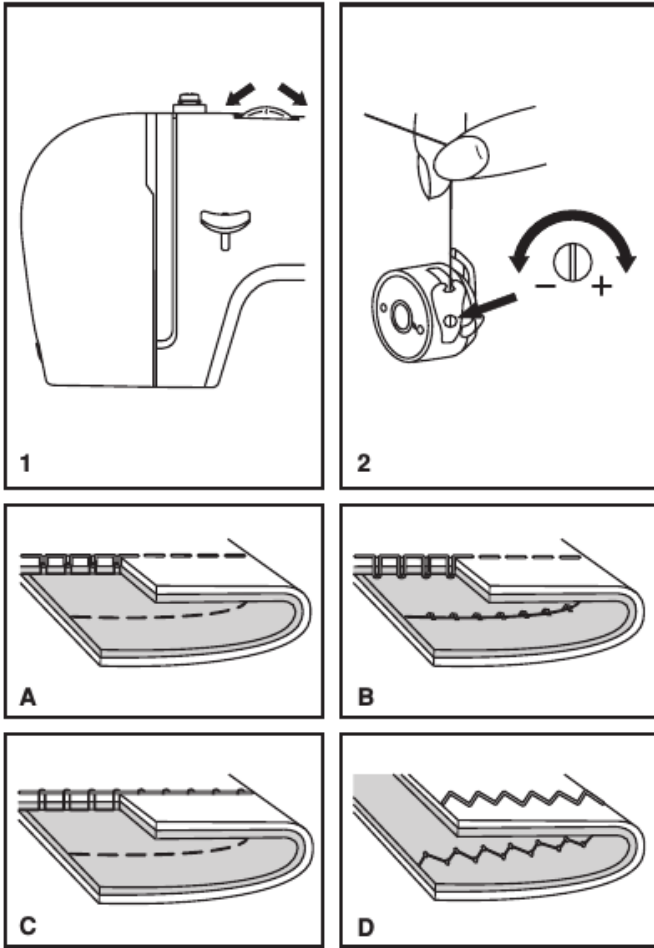


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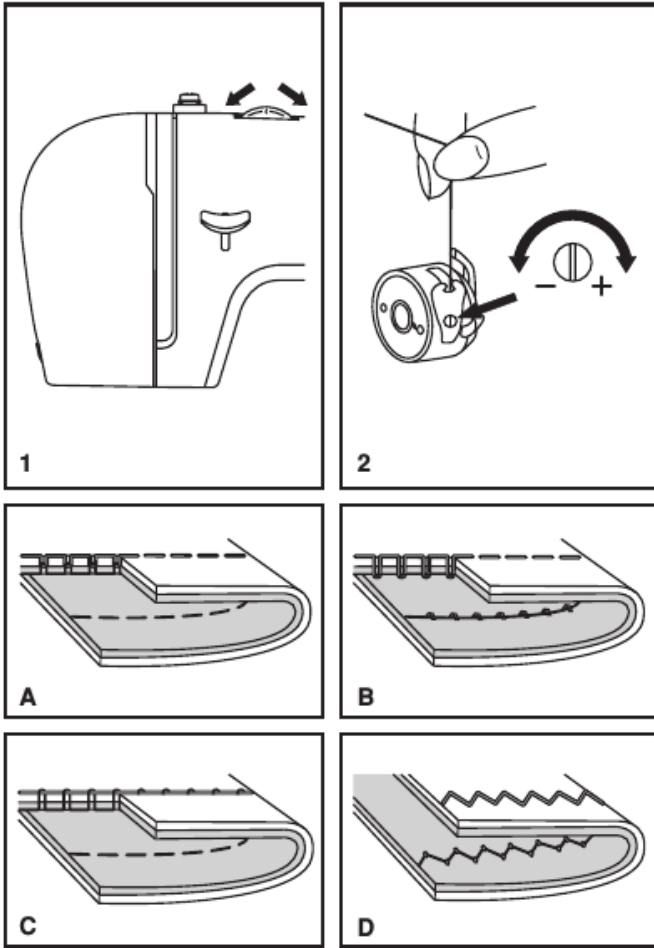
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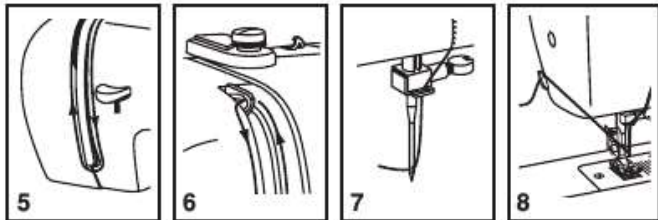
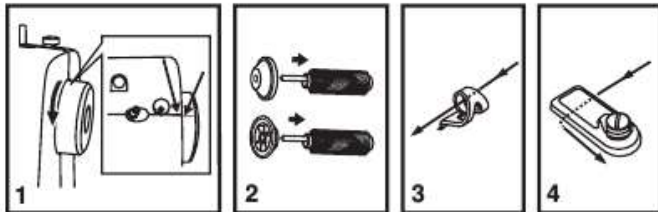
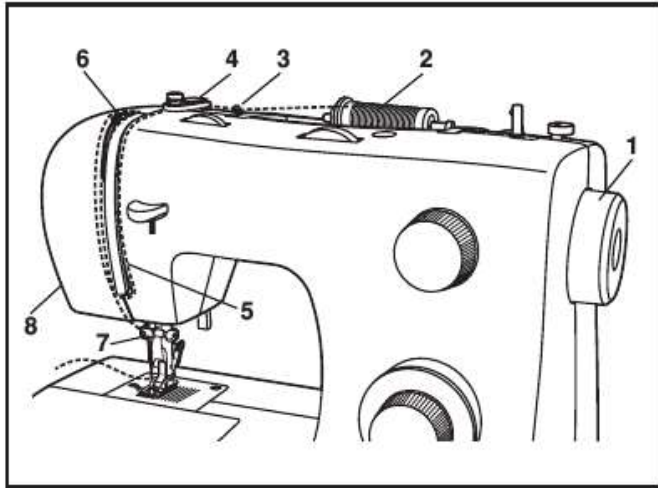
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ATTENTION:
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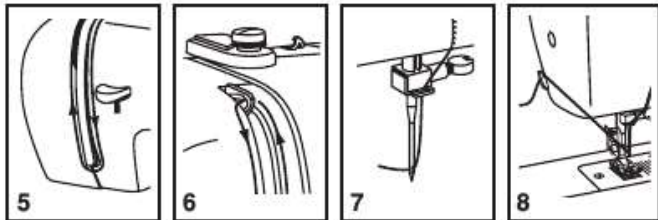
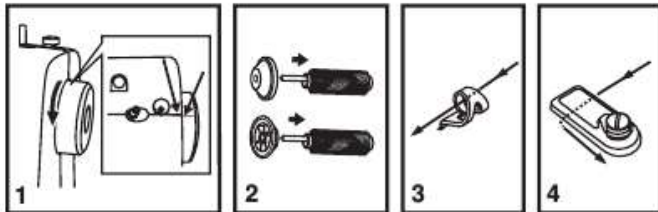
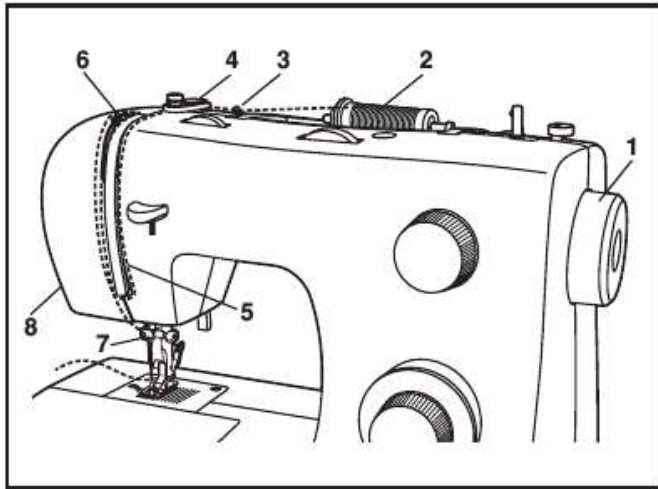
ATTENTION:
Discrimination against anyone based on color, sex, social status or any surface characteristic violates the Word of God—the royal law of love.



James 2:12-13

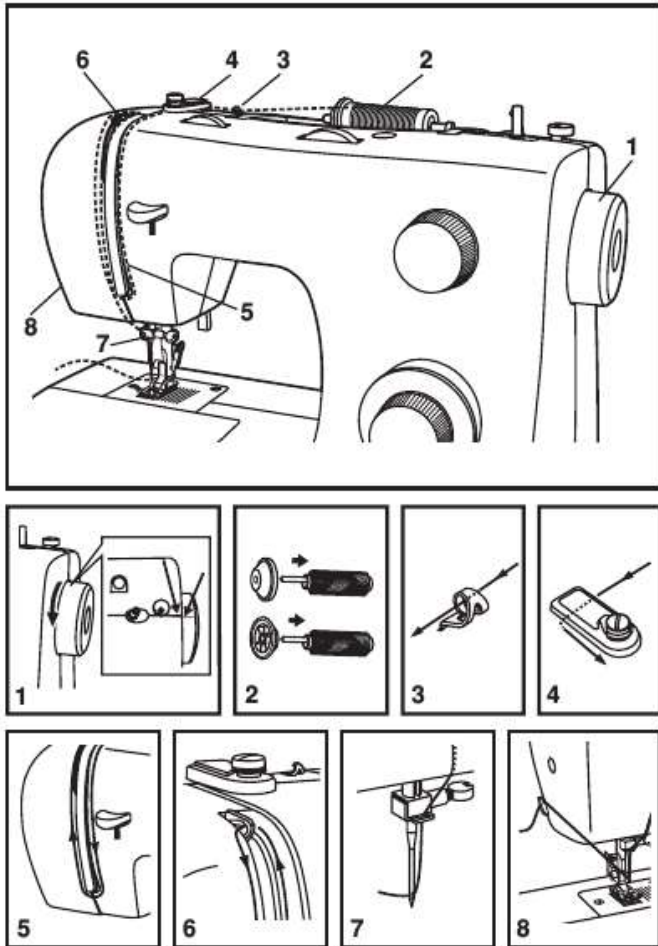
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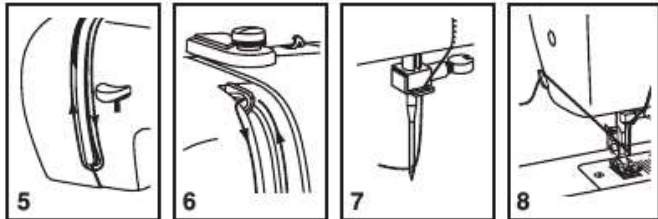
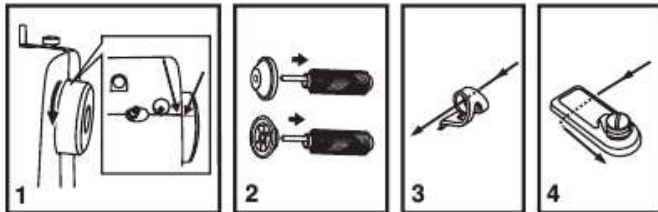
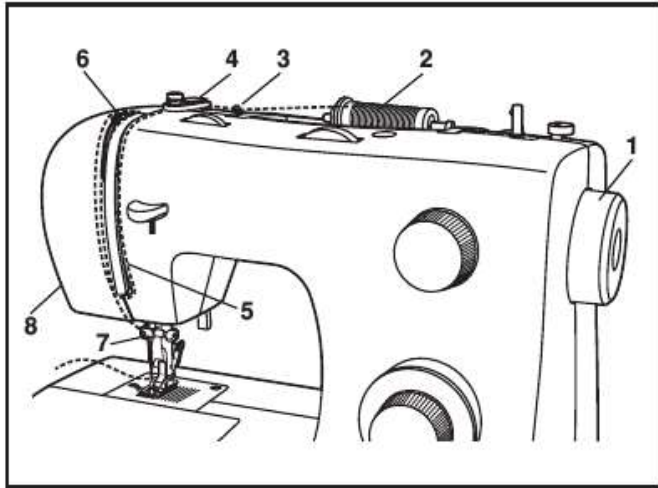


Hebrews 4:13

“Nothing in all creation is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before his eyes, and he is the one to whom we are accountable.

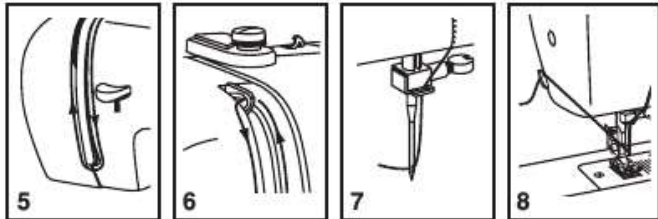
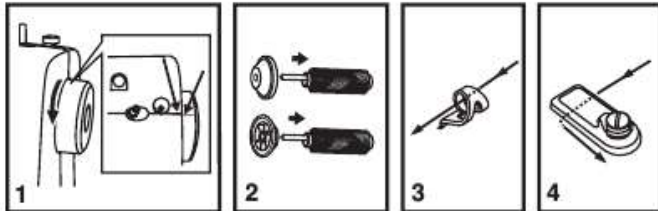
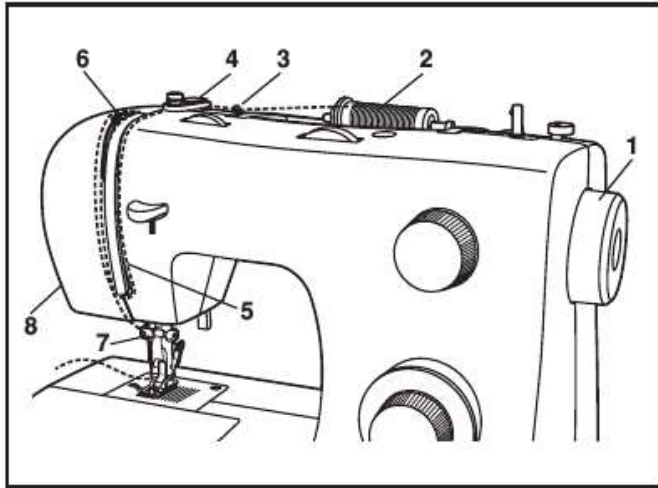


“Mercy implies compassion that forbears punishing even when justice demands it or that extends help even to the lowliest or most undeserving.”

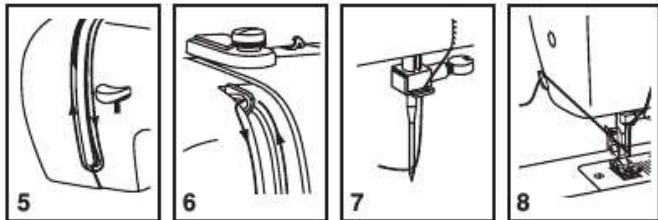
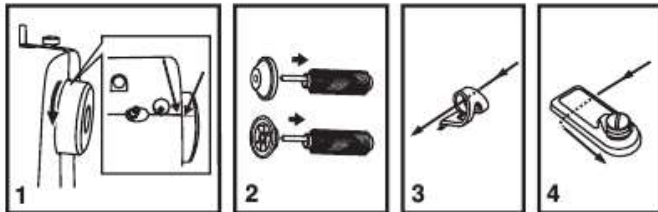
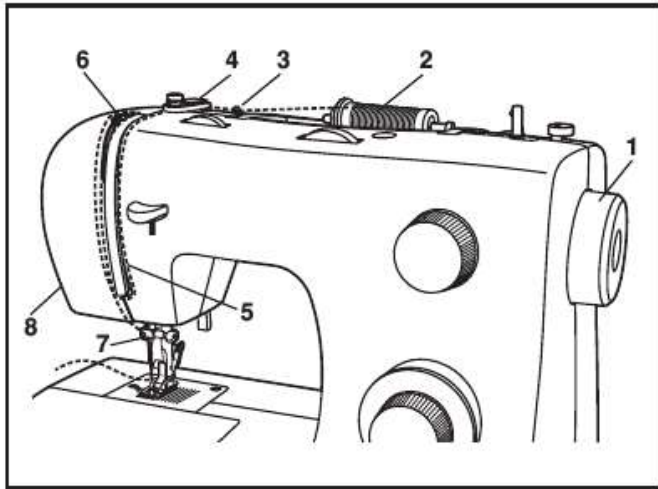


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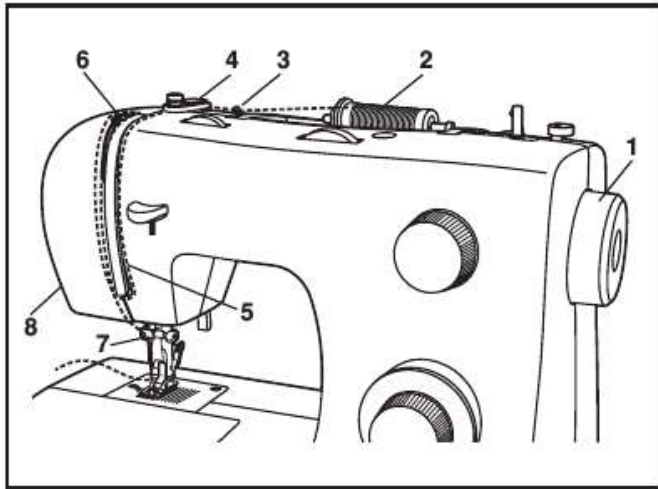


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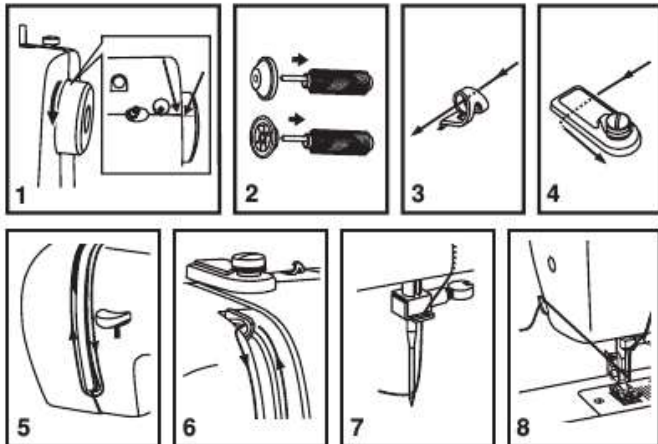


“I was afraid about myself... I saw that I am capable of doing this. I am exactly like he.”

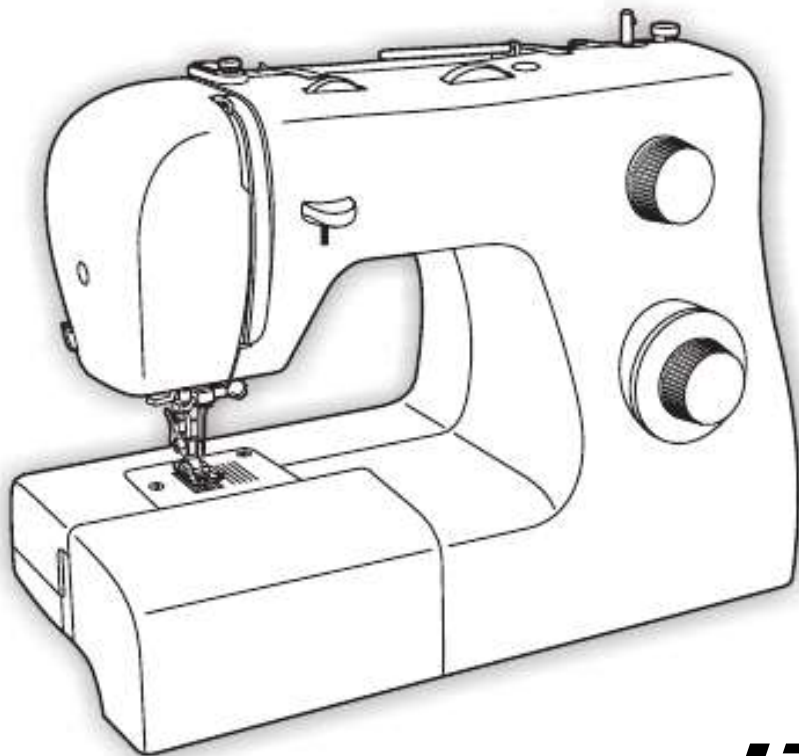
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***Just as I am, without one plea,
But that Thy blood was shed for
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And that Thou bid'st me come
to Thee,
O Lamb of God, I come!***



***Just as I am, and waiting not
To rid my soul of one dark blot,
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