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### At such a time, we turn to the Bible for answers.

### Where did we come from?

Genesis 1:1-5 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. [2] The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. [3] Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. [4] God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. [5] God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were the first day.

Genesis 1:26-27 Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." [27] So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

### Why are we here?

<u>Revelation 4:11</u> You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for you have created all things, and <u>for Your pleasure they are and were created.</u>

## Where are we going?

John 14:1-6 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. [2] In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. [3] And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also. [4] And where I go you know, and the way you know." [5] Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" [6] Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

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How can we be sure that when we die we will go to heaven?

John 3:16-19 For God so loved the world that He gave His

only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not

perish but have everlasting life. [17] For God did not send His

Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world
through Him might be saved. [18] "He who believes in Him is
not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned
already, because he has not believed in the name of the only
begotten Son of God.[19] And this is the condemnation, that the
light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather
than light, because their deeds were evil.

John 5:24 "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.

<u>1John 5:11-13</u> And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. [12] He who <u>has the Son has life</u>; <u>he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.</u> [13] These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that <u>you may know that you have eternal life</u>] and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.

# How can we be sure that when we die we will go to heavenand be there immediately after our last breath?

<u>2Corinthians 5:1</u> For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

2Corinthians 5:5-8 Now He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.
[6] So we are always confident, knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord. [7] For we walk by faith, not by sight. [8] We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord.

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### **The Thief on the Cross**

Luke 23:39-43 Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us." [40] But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, "Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation? [41] And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong." [42] Then he said to Jesus, Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom." [43] And Jesus said to him, "Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise."

#### The Death of Jesus

John 19:28 After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!" [29] Now a vessel full of sour wine was sitting there; and they filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on hyssop, and put it to His mouth. [30] So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

That living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. - The Gift of "living hope" -- 1 Peter 1:3-9 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, [4] to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, [5] who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. [6] In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been grieved by various trials, [7] that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, [8] whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, [9] receiving the end of your faith--the salvation of your souls.

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We're here to remember Jennifer and pay our respect to her!

To come to the Lord Jesus Christ for His COMFORT and His PEACE.

To look to the Bible for ANSWERS to our questions.

**His Comfort** 

**His Peace** 

Answers – past, present and future

# BE THINKING OF YOUR COMMENTS ABOUT JENNIFER, THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE.

### **HIS COMFORT!**

He is the God of All Comfort!

<u>2Corinthians 1:3-4</u> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, [4] who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

### **HIS PEACE!**

Philippians 4:6-7 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; [7] and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

# COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE ABOUT JENNIFER

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WELCOME on behalf of the family.

## **OPENING PRAYER - Pastor Phil**

### SONG "How Great Thou Art" - Shea

Oh Lord my God when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made. I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Refrain: Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee, How great thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul my Savior God to Thee! How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

When Christ shall come With shout of acclamation To take me home What joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration And there proclaim my God how great Thou art. (Refrain)

# <u>PSALM 23</u> <u>The LORD the Shepherd of His People</u> A Psalm of David.

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2 He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters.
- 3 He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell<sup>[1]</sup> in the house of the LORD

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### **SUMMARY - CLOSING PRAYER**

### AMAZING GRACE – Newton – sung by Judy Collins

1. Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

- 3. Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace hath brought us safe thus far, And grace will lead us home.
- 4. When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we'd first begun. (Repeat verse 1)

Pg. 7 Psalm 91 1-2 (NKJV) He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. [2] I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust." 14-16 (NKJV) "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name. [15] He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him. [16] With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation."

### Psalm 73:26 (NKJV)

My flesh and my heart fail; But God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

## 2 Corinthians. 5:1-4 (NKJV)

For we know that if our earthly house, this tent, is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. [2] For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed with our habitation which is from heaven, [3] if indeed, having been clothed, we shall not be found naked. [4] For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life.

1Corinthians 15:50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. 51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed--52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 54 So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." 55 "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?"56 The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

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