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**Welcome To**  
**BARAH MINISTRIES**  
*a Christian Church*  
**Rory Clark**  
**Pastor-Teacher**

Good Morning!

Welcome to Barah Ministries...a Christian Church with worldwide impact based in Mesa, AZ...my name is Pastor Rory Clark. At Barah Ministries, our God is the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. As a Pastor, God has given me a sacred responsibility. In Second Timothy, Chapter 4, Verses 1 and 2, the apostle Paul reminds his protégé Timothy of this holy endeavor...

**SECOND TIMOTHY 4:1**

*I (Paul) solemnly charge you (Timothy) in the presence of God the Father and in the presence of Christ Jesus (the Omnipresent Ones)...this Jesus who is to judge the living and the dead...and I charge you by Christ's return at the second coming and by His establishment of His Millennial kingdom...*

**SECOND TIMOTHY 4:2**

*...to preach the Word of God...to be ready in season (when the time seems right) and out of season (when the time doesn't seem right)...reprove (those who are inaccurate)...rebuke (those who are sinning)...exhort (those who need encouragement)...and do all of these with great patience and careful instruction.*

It is my job to teach believers in Christ...to encourage dependence on God for everything...to beg you to obey God in every matter...and to equip you for your very own ministry on behalf of our God. As a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, you are charged with having a ministry that reflects the Lord's glory to everyone you meet. With your ministry, you join me in providing the gospel message of salvation to a lost and dying world and you join me in inviting believers in Christ to a place that teaches the Word of God from God's perspective.

Welcome to a place God has provided for you, where you can be trained to serve the Sovereign God of the Universe, the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, with a ministry of your very own.

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**THE LORD’S SUPPER CELEBRATION**  
**The Puzzle Called The Cross**

Today...just as we do every month...we celebrate the Lord’s Supper...a meal of remembrance. It’s a way for Christians to show their love for the Lord Jesus Christ. We eat, by breaking bread...we drink, by tasting the fruit of the vine...and we look back to the Cross. It’s the only time we are encouraged by God to look in the rear view mirror of life. When we look in the rear view mirror of life, we may be inclined to see our failures, our regrets, our mistakes...but instead, we should simply see The Cross. Luke, Chapter 9, Verse 23 says...

LUKE 9:23

*And the Lord Jesus Christ was saying to them all (his disciples), “If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross daily and follow Me.”*

As Christians, followers of the Lord who went to the Cross, a Lord we are now in union with, gives us a cross to bear. We share in everything that is the Lord’s, including His Cross. Therefore Christians don’t see the Cross as a symbol. We celebrate the Person who hung there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who by bearing the torture of the Cross gave one of the most amazing demonstrations of UNCONDITIONAL LOVE in divine history. The Cross is the Lord’s love story, penned for the entire human race. AS Christians we are to reflect His unconditional love to a lost and dying world.

In this celebration we obey the Lord as outlined in First Corinthians, Chapter 11, Verse 26...

FIRST CORINTHIANS 11:26

*For as often as you believers in Christ eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim (to the whole world) the significance of the Lord’s death until He comes again.*

Did you hear that? The Lord’s Supper gives us, as a gathering of believers in Christ, the chance to proclaim the significance of the Lord’s death through this celebration! <Aruba Man> We call to memory the Lord’s death on the Cross which paid the price for the disobedience of one man’s sin...Adam’s sin...a sin credited to everyone in the human race at the moment of physical

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birth...a sin resulting in spiritual death for all of us. First Corinthians, Chapter 15, Verse 22 (the first part)...

**FIRST CORINTHIANS 15:22a**

*For all those in union with Adam (at physical birth...and that's everyone) is set to die the second death in the Lake of Fire...*

At the Lord's Supper Celebration, we remember the perfect obedience of the God-Man...the Lord Jesus Christ...the One who is 100% God and 100% Man in one Person forever...whose shed blood cleansed us from the unrighteousness resulting from Adam's sin...the unrighteousness of a creature turning away from his Creator. We remember with gladness that the Lord Jesus Christ's death on the Cross made a way for His creatures to be reconciled to God the Father...and made a way for all who want it to be in fellowship with all the members of the Godhead for all eternity.

By being resurrected from the dead three days after His death on the Cross, the Lord Jesus Christ proved that He is Deity...death could not contain Him. His resurrection gave all mankind a living hope and a cure for our unrighteousness at physical birth. First Corinthians, Chapter 15, Verse 22 (the second part)...

**FIRST CORINTHIANS 15:22b**

*...all those in union with Christ will be made spiritually alive by God the Father.*

Today we celebrate the absolute truth of First Peter, Chapter 2, Verse 24...

**FIRST PETER 2:24**

*...the Lord Jesus Christ Himself bore our sins in His own body on the Cross (for Christ this was a personal commitment to each and every one of us), so that we might die to the sovereignty of (Adam's) sin...and so that we might live for righteousness...for by Christ's wounds you were healed.*

In this Lord's Supper Celebration, we'll look back to see what happened at the Cross and what it means to each of us personally.

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**MUSIC AND REFLECTION**

*Be Occupied with the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ*  
Enjoy the Singing of His Praises

*COME SEE A MAN*

*June Murphy*

**OPENING PRAYER**

*Let us pray...*

Father we are grateful for Your Son and our Lord, Jesus Christ...we thank you for sending Him to die for us, a supreme sacrifice and a maximum demonstration of Your unconditional love for us Father, a love you directed to us at a time when we were despicable sinners as ungodly, unrighteous, unbelievers...thank you for this Lord's Supper Celebration which reminds us of our relationship with Your Son, who has cared for our past, our present, and our future with one sacrifice that you are perfectly satisfied with...

Renew the spiritual reality of this celebration in our hearts and in our minds today...the reality that we, as believers in Christ, share in everything that is Christ's...His crucifixion...His death...His burial...His resurrection...and His resurrection life...and let us be reminded that we abide in Him, and He abides in us...and that we have a supernatural power at our disposal that is exceeding and abundantly beyond anything we could ever ask or think...a power You placed at the disposal of each of us...

We ask this through the power of God the Holy Spirit...in Christ's name...Amen.

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Every Mother's Day, I take time to remember my Mom. I call her to memory. I look at her picture. I think about all the things we did together. I play SONG FOR MAMA by Boyz II Men...and tears of remembrance always form in my eyes. I celebrate her, not as a ritual, but as a reminder of a beautiful woman whose values are deep inside me. I think of all the tears she shed to save me...to keep me alive and to make it possible for me to be here to teach you today. Through me, Mom is still very much alive here on

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earth today. When you look at me, you see a reflection of her in so many ways...mostly in the determination to never quit in the face of humiliating tribulation. I remember that Mom is alive in heaven, waiting for the day when we are reunited face-to-face with our Lord.

Let's celebrate the Lord's Supper the same way I celebrate my Mom...not as a lifeless ritual, but as a vivid reminder of the love and sacrifice that went into saving us. Let's call to mind all the times we have seen God's gentle hand operating in our lives. Let's remember the sacrifice He made to save us.

Our lives are like jigsaw puzzles. When all the pieces of our lives are fit together they create the picture that the maker of the puzzle intended from the beginning...the picture on the front of the puzzle box. Unlike with a jigsaw puzzle, we don't have the picture on the front of the box of our lives. We don't know what picture our lives are creating. When don't know what picture our lives are reflecting to others. If we did, I think many of us would be horrified at what our lives are reflecting to others. But if we stop to reflect, all the pieces of our lives, which God either causes or allows, are forming a picture God is creating...each of us are masterpieces of God's art. In Jeremiah, Chapter 29, Verse 11, we are reminded...

**JEREMIAH 29:11**

*'I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for your welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.'*

God knows the unfolding picture of our lives. Ephesians, Chapter 2, Verse 10 says...

**EPHESIANS 2:10**

*For we believers in Christ are God the Father's workmanship...we were placed in union with Christ Jesus for good works...which God the Father prepared before the foundation of the world so that we would walk in them.*

The Cross is a puzzle as well. When all the pieces fit together they form a perfectly orchestrated picture. Let's look at the pieces of this puzzle called the Cross, and let's be reminded of what the picture tells us as we celebrate The Lord's Supper today.

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Puzzle Piece #1

**The Lord Jesus Christ is God...the Creator...and He Has Always Existed as Deity**

Genesis, Chapter 1, Verse 1...

GENESIS 1:1

*In the beginning (not a beginning) God (Jehovah Elohim...the Lord) created (Barah-ed) the heavens and the earth.*

In John, Chapter 17, Verse 5 the Lord says, in prayer to His Father on the night before He went to the Cross...

JOHN 17:5

*Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself...with the glory which I (the Lord Jesus Christ) had with You before the world existed...(before the foundation of the world).*

John, Chapter 1, Verse 3 says...

JOHN 1:3

*All things came into being through the Lord (God the Son), and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.*

The Lord is the Creator.

Puzzle Piece #2

**The Lord Took on Human Form as Jesus Christ to Become the God-Man**

John, Chapter 1, Verse 14 says...

JOHN 1:14

*And the Word (the Lord) became flesh (Jesus Christ), and lived among us (on planet earth), and we saw His glory...glory as of the uniquely born One from the source of God the Father, full of grace and full of truth.*

The Lord Jesus Christ is God, and He manifested Himself...He made Himself clearly visible, in human form.

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Puzzle Piece #3

**The Lord Jesus Christ Laid Down His Life**

In John, Chapter 10, Verse 18, the Lord says...

JOHN 10:18

*“No one has taken my life away from Me (His death was voluntary)...but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down (because I am Sovereign)...and I have authority to take it up again (in resurrection from the dead). This commandment I received from My Father.”*

The Lord Jesus Christ is a model for our own lives...His voluntary sacrificial obedience is something we should emulate, even if it is to the point of a voluntary physical death on a Cross...dying as a substitute for someone you love...just as the Lord did.

Puzzle Piece #4

**The Lord Jesus Christ Died a Horrid Death at the Hands of Godless Men**

Philippians, Chapter 2, Verses 7 and 8...

PHILIPPIANS 2:7

*...the Lord (who existed in the same essence as God the Father) emptied Himself (depriving Himself of the rightful functions of Deity) taking the form of a bond-servant (perfect humanity with no sin nature)...being made in the likeness of men (making Himself a ‘nothing’ ... just like us)...*

PHILIPPIANS 2:8

*...and being found in appearance as a man, He humiliated Himself (in submission to His Father’s will...with no self-will...only matching the Father’s matchless will) by becoming obedient...to the point of death...even death on a Cross (the most humiliating death of all...one reserved for the worst, most despicable criminals).*

John, Chapter 19, Verse 16 says...

JOHN 19:16

*So Pontius Pilate then handed Jesus Christ over to the unbelieving Jews to be crucified...*

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Matthew, Chapter 27, Verse 45...

**MATTHEW 27:45**

*Now from the sixth hour (Noon) darkness fell upon all the land until the ninth hour (3:00PM).*

John, Chapter 19, Verse 30 says...

**JOHN 19:30**

*Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit (into the presence of God the Father).*

The Greek word is *tetelestai*...in English, the expression means, "It is finished" ... in Greek, the expression means, "Paid in full." Because of Christ's redemptive work at the Cross, He was made sin for us, and He suffered the wrath of His Father justice as sin deserves, but He did it on behalf of us, and not because of any sin He had committed. Our sins are paid in full.

Puzzle Piece #5

**The Lord Jesus Christ was Buried**

John, Chapter 19, Verses 38 to 41 says...

**JOHN 19:38**

*After these things (came to pass that fulfill Scripture) Joseph of Arimathea (a member of the Sanhedrin, a fanatic Jewish council), being a disciple of Jesus, but a secret one for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus (according to Jewish burial custom)...and Pilate granted permission. So Joseph came and took away Christ's body.*

**JOHN 19:39**

*Nicodemus, who had first come to Jesus by night (in John, Chapter 3), also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds weight.*

**JOHN 19:40**

*So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen wrappings with the spices, as is the burial custom of the Jews.*

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**JOHN 19:41**

*Now in the place where Jesus was crucified there was a private garden, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid.*

**JOHN 19:42**

*Therefore because of the Jewish day of preparation (the Sabbath), since the tomb was nearby, Joseph and Nicodemus laid Jesus there.*

Here is Matthew's account of the Lord's burial in Matthew, Chapter 27, Verses 57 to 61...

**MATTHEW 27:57**

*When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who himself had also become a disciple of Jesus.*

**MATTHEW 27:58**

*This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered that Jesus's body be given to Joseph.*

**MATTHEW 27:59**

*And Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth...*

**MATTHEW 27:60**

*...and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock...and he rolled a large stone against the entrance of the tomb and went away.*

**MATTHEW 27:61**

*And Mary Magdalene (Mary of Magdala) was there, and the other Mary (the mother of James and Joseph was there), sitting opposite the grave.*

At great personal risk, these two men saw to it that the Lord received a proper burial.

**MUSIC BREAK**

*HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US*  
*Phillips, Craig And Dean*

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**THE OFFERING**

Deacon Denny Goodall

**OFFERING VERSE**

PHILIPPIANS 2:15

*...so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,*

**OFFERING**

*FLIGHT OF THE EAGLE*

*Dave McClure, Instrumental*

**THE LORD’S SUPPER CELEBRATION:  
Enjoying the Elements**

Following God’s request, we keep on celebrating CHRIST and His Cross on a regular basis...we eat to remember who He is as a PERSON...we drink to remember His WORK, the voluntary sacrifice He made at the Cross on our behalf as our sin substitute...and we are grateful for what God has done for us. First Corinthians, Chapter 11, Verses 23 and 24 say...

FIRST CORINTHIANS 11:23

*For I, Paul received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus Christ on the night in which He was betrayed took bread...*

FIRST CORINTHIANS 11:24

*...and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “This is, and keeps on being My body, which is broken for you...keep on doing this celebration for the purpose of remembering Me.”*

When we eat the bread during the Lord’s Supper Celebration, we remember the Lord Jesus Christ AS A PERSON.

When we drink the cup, we remember THE WORK of the Lord Jesus Christ. First Corinthians, Chapter 11, Verses 25 and 26 say...

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**FIRST CORINTHIANS 11:25**

*In the same way the Lord Jesus Christ took the cup after supper, representing His death on the Cross, saying, “This cup is a new testament forged with My blood...keep on doing this celebration...and as often as you drink it...do so for the purpose of remembering Me.”*

**FIRST CORINTHIANS 11:26**

*For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup as part of the Lord’s Supper Celebration, you proclaim as a reality and you announce the significance of the Lord Jesus Christ’s death on the Cross and His resurrection from the dead until He comes again in the second coming.*

As you enjoy the bread and the cup, enjoy the memory of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as well. Now and always, let us keep on giving thanks that we are loved unconditionally and accepted fully by THE LORD WHO IS ALWAYS THERE FOR US...the One we can depend on...let’s keep on being transformed by His life and His death and His Word...and let’s enjoy His unconditional love day by day...and that’s the name of our Lord’s Supper song.

**LORD’S SUPPER SONG**

*DAY BY DAY*

*Godspell*

**THE LORD’S SUPPER CELEBRATION**

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We continue our look at the significant events that paint an amazing picture of unconditional love...

Puzzle Piece #6

**On the Third Day, The Lord Jesus Christ Rose From the Dead**

Luke, Chapter 24, Verses 1 to 6...

**LUKE 24:1**

*But on the first day of the week (Sunday), at early dawn, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary (the mother of James and Joseph) came to the tomb bringing the spices which they had prepared.*

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LUKE 24:2

*And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb...*

LUKE 24:3

*...and when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.*

LUKE 24:4

*While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men (angels) suddenly stood near them in dazzling (white) clothing...*

LUKE 24:5

*...and as the women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek The Living One among the dead?”*

LUKE 24:6

*“He is not here, but He has risen from the dead (just as He said).”*

His resurrection from the dead is the thing that separates the Lord Jesus Christ from all the pretender gods.

Puzzle Piece #7

**After the Resurrection, The Lord Jesus Christ Showed Himself for Forty Days**

In Acts, Chapter 13, Verses 28 to 31, the apostle Paul recounts the events...

ACTS 13:28

*And though the unbelieving Jews found no ground for putting Jesus Christ to death, they asked Pilate that He be executed (by crucifixion).*

ACTS 13:29

*When they had carried out all that was written concerning Him, they took Jesus down from the Cross and laid Him in a tomb.*

ACTS 13:30

*But God the Father raised Jesus from the dead...*

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ACTS 13:31

*...and for many days the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to those who came up with Him from Galilee to Jerusalem...the very ones who are now His witnesses to the people.*

It would have been tough to believe that the Jesus Christ is the Lord without the proof of His resurrection from the dead...and without Him proving His Deity in ways humans could understand it. But the Lord DOES NOT work in mysterious ways...He works in entirely visible and definitively predictable ways...ways so different that they are unmistakably His signature and His work.

Puzzle Piece #8

**Forty Days After the Resurrection, The Lord Jesus Christ Ascended into Heaven**

Luke, Chapter 24, Verses 50 to 53...

LUKE 24:50

*And the Lord Jesus Christ led the eleven and His disciples out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them.*

LUKE 24:51

*While He was blessing them, the Lord Jesus Christ parted from them and was carried up into heaven (the Ascension).*

LUKE 24:52

*And the eleven and the Lord's disciples, after worshiping Him, returned to Jerusalem with great joy...*

LUKE 24:53

*...and were continually in the temple praising God the Father.*

The Lord's followers were joyful because all that the Lord said came to pass.

Puzzle Piece #9

**The Lord Jesus Christ is Now Seated at the Right Hand of God the Father, The Majesty, On High**

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Ephesians, Chapter 1, Verses 18 to 21...

**EPHESIANS 1:18**

*I (Paul) pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope... (the absolute confidence) of His calling (you out of darkness into His marvelous light), and what are the glorious riches of His inheritance in the saints...*

**EPHESIANS 1:19**

*...and what is the surpassing greatness of His power (divine omnipotence) toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might...*

**EPHESIANS 1:20**

*...which God the Father brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at the Father's right hand in the heavenly places...*

**EPHESIANS 1:21**

*...far above all rule and authority and far above all power and dominion, and far above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.*

True spiritual insight occurs when our God renews our minds in such a way that we can see His viewpoint in every matter, and when we use that insight to simply obey Him, for what He proclaims to be right is good and acceptable and perfect.

Puzzle Piece #10

**The Lord Jesus Christ Will Come Again in All His Glory**

John, Chapter 14, Verse 3...

**JOHN 14:3**

*If I (the Lord Jesus Christ) go to prepare a place for you, and I do, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also.*

As believers in Christ...our union with Christ is forever. WOW!

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Puzzle Piece #11

**God the Father Will Make the Lord's Enemies a Footstool for His Feet**

Ephesians, Chapter 1, Verses 22 and 23...

EPHESIANS 1:22

*And God the Father put all things in subjection under the Lord Jesus Christ's feet, and gave Christ as head over all things to the church...*

EPHESIANS 1:23

*...which is His body...the fullness of Christ who fills everything in every way.*

The Lord is a dynamic, energetic, living and active power force in the believer's life.

Puzzle Piece #12

**The Lord Jesus Christ Will Preside Over the Judgments**

For believers in Christ, the Lord will preside over The Judgment Seat of Christ...Second Corinthians, Chapter 5, Verse 10...

SECOND CORINTHIANS 5:10

*For we believers in Christ must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be compensated for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done...whether good or bad.*

This is the time when the Lord Jesus Christ will bring up all your sins, right?  
<WAIT FOR AN ANSWER>

For unbelievers, the Lord will preside over The Great White Throne Judgment...Revelation, Chapter 20, Verses 11 to 15...

REVELATION 20:11

*Then I (John) saw a Great White Throne and Him who sat upon it (the Lord Jesus Christ), from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them to live.*

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**REVELATION 20:12**

*And I (John) saw the dead, the great and the small (the famous and not so famous), standing before The Great White Throne, and books were opened... and another book was opened, which is the book of life...and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.*

**REVELATION 20:13**

*And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them...and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds.*

**REVELATION 20:14**

*Then death and Hades were thrown into the Lake of Fire. This is the second death, the Lake of Fire.*

**REVELATION 20:15**

*And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, and some names were found not to be there, he was thrown into the Lake of Fire.*

What happened at the Cross? An unconditional love story! Here's what the twelve pieces of the puzzle, when fitted all together, look like...

<PICTURE OF THE BOX...SLIDE...>

It's a pleasure for us to bring up the sweet fragrance of this memory every month and to savor its aroma. Let's never let this be a ritual...let it always be a pungent reality...that we have a God who is totally on our side, who was willing to die for us, even when we weren't worthy of such an honor.

**GOD WANTS YOU!**

Make the Most Important Decision of Your Life

One of the greatest questions in the history of mankind was asked by a jailer who was charged with keeping the apostle Paul from escaping prison in Acts, Chapter 16, Verse 30...the jailer said to Paul and Silas...

**ACT 16:30**

*"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?"*

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For people who want a relationship with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, He provides a roadmap to heaven. There is only ONE WAY to get to heaven...a single road you must pass through. The Lord Jesus Christ encourages you to choose the right path, the only path in Matthew, Chapter 7, Verses 13 and 14...

**MATTHEW 7:13**

*“Enter through the narrow gate...for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through the wide gate. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to the resurrection life, and there are few who find the narrow way.”*

Do you want to be one of the few?

Only One Person can lead you down the single road to heaven...and the Person who volunteers to take you to heaven says HE is ONLY THE WAY to get to heaven in John, Chapter 14, Verse 6...

**JOHN 14:6**

*Jesus said to doubting Thomas, “I am the way, and I am the truth, and I am the resurrection life...and no one comes to God the Father but through believing in Me.”*

The Lord Jesus Christ died on a Cross and shed His blood to pave the way for you to get to heaven...He is the ONLY WAY. Philippians, Chapter 2, Verse 8 says...

**PHILIPPIANS 2:8**

*Being found in appearance as a man, the Lord Jesus Christ humiliated Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a Cross.*

Three days later, God the Father raised Jesus Christ from the dead, just for you, to prove to you that He is God. No one else has ever risen from the dead. Colossians, Chapter 1, Verse 18 says...

**COLOSSIANS 1:18**

*The Lord Jesus Christ is the head of the body, the church...and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the (resurrection of the) dead, so that the Lord Himself will come to have first place in everything.*

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And so right now, right where you sit you can tell the Lord Jesus Christ that you want Him to take you to heaven when you close your eyes in this life. The Lord is always offering a free trip to heaven for anyone who wants it...but you have to come to Him to ask for a ride. Acts, Chapter 16, Verse 31 says...

**ACTS 16:31**

*“Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and everyone in your household who also believes.”*

In answer to the jailer’s question, the apostle Paul says that’s what we must do to be saved. John, Chapter 3, Verse 36 says...

**JOHN 3:36**

*“He who believes in the Son has the resurrection life right at that moment... but he who does not obey the command to believe in the Son will not see the resurrection life...instead the wrath of God (the Lake of Fire) abides on him.”*

Once you have salvation you can never lose it...mostly because you didn’t do your salvation...a God who never changes accomplished your salvation for you, and in John, Chapter 10, Verse 28, He says...

**JOHN 10:28**

*...I (the Lord Jesus Christ) give eternal life to believers in Christ, and they will never perish...and no one will snatch them out of My hand.*

Jesus DIED for you. Jesus was BURIED for you. Jesus ROSE FROM THE DEAD for you. Jesus LOVES you unconditionally. Jesus FORGIVES all of your sins. Jesus WELCOMES YOU with open arms into heaven. And once you’re saved, Jesus PROTECTS YOUR SALVATION forever. All you have to do to get to heaven is to place your TRUST in the Lord Jesus Christ alone, and He will come through for you. He is your ONE and ONLY WAY to get to heaven. Do it now! Don’t wait. The Lord Jesus Christ is calling you to freedom.

**CLOSING SONG**

*CALLING YOU TO FREEDOM*

*June Murphy*

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**CLOSING PRAYER**

*Let us pray...*

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Thanks for coming!

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