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GOOD MORNING/INVOCATION – BS/HS

BS: This is the day the Lord has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Hello.

HS: Welcome visitors and church family. We are always so happy that you're here. It is very, very safe to trust the living word of God. Let's act on His word today. You are loved.

BS: Amen. We're glad you're here and we want you to know that we just assume when you come to church you don't need to feel more guilty, you don't need to feel worse. We want you leaving here full of joy, full of hope. Many of you are going back to work tomorrow. We want you to be full of God's energy and life in you, and so my hope is that happens today. We're so, so glad you're here. And let's begin with a word of prayer. Father, we come to you in the strong name of Jesus, and we ask for an outpouring of your spirit. All that to say, Lord, that many of us feel tired, worried, scared, we just pray, God, that today you'd give us a spirit of courage, kindness and compassion for our neighbor, slowness to anger, quickness to mercy, and we thank you and we love you, it's in Christ' name we pray, all God's people said, (AUDIENCE & HANNAH – amen).

HAVEN: Turn to the person next to you and say God loves you and so do I.

SCRIPTURE – Psalm 27,1-5 - Hannah

HS: In preparation for the message, Psalm 27:1-5. David writes: The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life, of whom shall I be afraid. When the wicked advance against me to devour me, it is my enemies and my foes who will stumble and fall. Though an army beseech me, my heart will not fear. Though war break out against me, even then I will be confident. One thing I ask from the Lord, this only do I seek, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on the beauty of the Lord, and to seek Him in His temple. For in the day of trouble, He will keep me safe in His dwelling. He will hide me in the shelter of His sacred tent and set me high upon a rock. Wow. David knew our Lord. Amen.

DECLARATION – Bobby Schuller

Today is a really special day because we're changing the creed. (GASPS) Everybody go like this (GASPS). So if you've come here for a long time, you know there's this creed that I introduced maybe ten years ago, and it's something that I said in my personal life, but for about six years, there's one little tiny phrase that has bugged me a lot, and I just decided a few weeks ago, I'm like I'm just going to change it. It's my creed, I can change it. And this small change that maybe if you're a theologian or something like that, has bugged you for a while is the last two words, actually, of the creed. It still works, right, but the last line of the creed is I don't need to worry, I don't need to hurry, I can trust my friend Jesus and share His love with (AUDIENCE – the world) the world. That's true. We should love the world. We do love the world; we literally love the world here; we're a global ministry. But as people, God actually doesn't call Christians to love the world. He sends us into the world, but do you remember who He calls us to love? He calls us to love our neighbor. And can I tell you, it's a lot harder to love your neighbor than it is to love the world. You know what I mean? It is! Because like there is this academic type that like loves humanity but kind of hates humans. And I hear that a little in my own line in this thing that we say. Although we do love the world in the sense that we are supposed to love everyone without prejudice; we're supposed to even love our enemies; that I think that saying my neighbor is what would be better. So we're going to do that from now on. If you really want to say the world, its Shepherd's Grove, do what you want. You know what I'm saying? You do your thing. But we're going to say "my neighbor" and that means the people in the 15 feet of space around you.

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So that means the person sitting next to you in the pew. When somebody cuts you off in traffic. But by the way, look to the person next to you and say hey, I love you. Doesn't that feel good to hear somebody say they love you? They do, too. This is a very loving church. We love our neighbor, and of course loving is a lot more about who we become than it is about what we feel. That's another sermon, but you get it. So you love your neighbor, so when a guy cuts you off in traffic, he's in your 15-feet of space, especially if he cuts you off the way a Californians cut you off. That's your neighbor, you're supposed to love that person, ideally. And when somebody steals your newspaper, or says something rude about you, or cuts in front of you in line at Disneyland, you're not supposed to do that. That's somebody you love. But it also means you love your spouse! It means you love your kids. It means you literally love the people your school. That's what we're going to do. And by the way, welcome to Shepherd's Grove. We're so stoked you're here. When I go to new churches, like if I'm visiting, I'm always like oh, what's the rules. Really the rule here is just in general be a nice person, and pretty much that's it. You get it. You'll be fine. And you're always free to take out your cell phones. Somebody asked me this recently – we like it when you pull your cell phone out and take pictures and film. It's all good. Just make sure you tag us in your post. Okay. Would you stand with us? Hold your hands out like this as a way of receiving from the Lord. Let's say this together: I'm not what I do. I'm not what I have. I'm not what people say about me. I am the beloved of God. Its who I am. No one can take it from me. I don't have to worry, I don't have to hurry, I can trust my friend Jesus and share His love with (AUDIENCE – my neighbor). Nice. With my neighbor.

MESSAGE – Bobby Schuller "When You Fear the Lord, You Will be Free of Fear"

If you've gone to church a lot in your life, perhaps you went when you were a kid, and you're starting to go again. Maybe this is your first time here and you're kind of seeking; you're looking out; you're like maybe I'll try Presbyterians on for size. I don't know. You probably had a number of different experiences going to a church. It might be that the first time you visited a church felt like going back to elementary school or that terrible school teacher you had who slapped you on the wrist with a ruler. Maybe it's like going to your most boring professor back in college. Maybe it reminds you, other churches, hopefully, remind you of going to court, and you feel like you're being judged. Or maybe it's a place where it feels like going to court and you get to be on the jury, and you and all the other jurors talk about this person or that person and how guilty they are. Church is a different experience for a lot of people. The word church, though, comes from a Greek ecclesia, it means "a gathering." And really the gathering of the people, if they are in Christ, shouldn't reflect most of those things that I mentioned, not even a lecture, not even a sermon shouldn't be the main experience. The main experience should be an experience of encouragement, which means to give heart, of prayer, of song, and most of all, of agape love. That there is this thing that happens when you leave that you say to yourself in some way, I'm not alone in this world. I have my church. And the church, of course, this is a huge moment for a church, a Sunday morning worship service, but we are the church when we leave here. Like we're always the church, whether we're together or not. You don't leave your family when dinner's over, right? I mean you do literally, but you're still a part of your family. My hope in this ministry, whether you're watching on television or you're actually here in this sacred space, is that when you come here, you get a sense that you're going to leave changed for the better; that you're going to leave with new heart that you didn't have before. I understand that doesn't happen all the time. And maybe it doesn't happen most the time, for some people, but my hope is that this would be filled with people that want that, and just the idea of wanting it would cause us to become a people like that for each other, even for me, I need that, Hannah needs that, right? So that we are that way for one another as a community. I want that to be a greater reflection because it's what I believe that the Lord commands us to be: merciful, friendly, kind, welcoming, a healing presence. Jesus Himself said God did not send me into this world for the healthy, but for the sick. That like a hospital, people would come to a place like this because there would be, at some level of my soul, a sense of healing. That when I'm going through a hard time, when I feel like I can't go back to work tomorrow. When I feel like I just can't face another bill. When I feel like I cannot go to another's doctors' appointment, or just when you're just clouded with doubts about whatever – God, about life, about the meaning of life, and what's true and false. That in that there is a people, and a people who represent a heart, and that is the heart of God, that is for you and not against you. That as the scripture says, that God loves you, and that the church would be, in the way that the moon reflects the sun, that that would be a reflection of who God is, that yes, when you're going through tough times you would say instead of 'oh I don't want to go to church on Sunday.

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I just need to sleep in and eat some cinnamon rolls.' I've done that before. You would say I can't wait for Sunday to be with God's people, but that even beyond that, you would say I don't need to wait till Sunday! That God's here now. That He's strong enough, that He cares about what other people think is my little thing, but it's a big thing to me, that He actually cares about that, and that right now at 2:00 in the morning when I can't sleep I know I can run to a God whose arms are open, and also, who is ready to fight for me. That is ready to hear my prayers. That is ready to speak to me in my time of suffering, and ready to give me a peace that surpasses understanding. Today my encouragement to you is I want us to build into ourselves, one: an awareness of our own emotions; that's so important. I'm talking to you, especially men.. everybody does this, but some of us really learned to just shove it down and not be emotional. One – when we feel afraid or anxious or scared, it is good to just take a deep breath and be like I'm feeling this right now, and that's okay. But that the second thing is when I feel that way, I'm going to run to God. I'm going to run into His shelter. I'm going to run to His spirit and His word, and you know what, you can even take it out on God. You know you can get angry at God? You can shout at Him. God would so much more you get angry at Him than get angry at your neighbor. He's strong enough, He can handle it. Just read the Psalms. We're going to read the Psalms today. Three quarters of the Psalms is David just really mad at God, and really upset. And God loves David, who we're going to talk about is an absolute train wreck. I heard this great line. I visited a church recently and the pastor said this funny line. He said: "why pray when you can worry." And I just thought that was terrific. Many of us are here right now and we're hoping to get a break from our worry, and I do hope you get that, but first before I tell you why you shouldn't be worried, let's all get worried together, shall we? And I really mean that. I want to stoke this feeling again in your body that you'll feel.. unnaturally, you'll feel it later in the week. But let's talk about all the things we can be worried about. First of all, I keep saying we finished. We're not. It's still around, but it feels like we've finished, this global pandemic. And it wasn't just the fact that I might die from a virus, or my parents, or grandparents might get sick from a virus, that was at the heart of it, but then there's all this other stuff around it like state governments and doctors disagreeing with each other, and the federal government is different than the state government, and what is my job doing, and what's my school doing, what am I going to do with my kids, and different views and all this stuff, and just like the world throwing up information on us, and none of it seems to match up. At the very beginning of the pandemic, when we were sort of all on the same page; I don't know if you remember that. It lasted about three weeks, but there were a few weeks where everybody was kind of on the same page, and I remember everything was closed. It felt like an apocalypse movie, and it was very strange. Every restaurant, grocery store, everything was closed. Maybe the grocery stores were open. Everything else was closed. But there was one thing that was open that was giving me, as a California born and bred boy, it was the beach. The beach was open. I remember going to the beach, and sitting there, and I was like at least I have the beach. I remember looking around and there were other people there, but everyone was way spaced out and taking appropriate measures. Everybody had a very somber sobering carefulness about going to the beach that I was like this is good. This is good, we're all doing this the right way. We're all really spaced out, the sun's out, it's nice, and this seems like a good middle road to get a little vitamin D, right? I love the newspaper. I'm an old soul in that way. Starbucks used to have all the newspapers that you could pick from, but my favorites were Wall Street Journal, LA Times, New York Times. And I don't agree with everything in all these newspapers. I love the writing. And it always felt like the newspaper was more of an institution than the TV news. Like it's in print and there's something about that that I liked as a history guy. I like print. The day after I went to the beach, there was this picture on the cover of the LA Times, and the headline was "Orange County beaches are packed with people. They should close the beaches." I was there, this is 18th street in Newport on the Balboa Peninsula, I was at that tower and I thought I was in a dream because I was looking at it, I'm like first of all, it didn't look like that at all, but the biggest thing was the lifeguard towers were closed because of COVID. There was no flag, there was no guy up there, and also, there's like a wooden board that clamps down and covers the things. And it like almost scared me that such a blatant lie was on such a pretty prestigious newspaper. And so on Twitter I was like it wasn't like this! No, no! It was all spaced out! And the lifeguard.. this is a fake picture. And I found out later, they just pulled a stock picture from the 4th of July and they never technically claimed that this picture was that day, but it's a lie. For me, it like made COVID, and still does, it made me like question everything. I struggle with turning into this like.. I never say it from here, but like this tin foil hat like what's real and like everybody.. anyway. Maybe you felt that way during this thing when you felt like you couldn't trust anybody.

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So all the government stuff, and media stuff and who's right and wrong. And then to taint all of that now, we've got like this ongoing crisis in Ukraine. We talked about it last week. Look at this beautiful picture of a funeral, but it shows you, like the backdrop of culture and civilization, but also war. There was another photo that really touched my heart recently on the cover of Time Magazine. There's a hundred and fifty foot.. it's hard to tell, picture, there's a hundred and fifty-foot banner being carried. You can see it from the sky, from a drone, and these are people carrying a real picture of a little girl who's a refugee from Ukraine. And she's a symbol of the one point five million children now that are refugees leaving Ukraine. On the other, you see the soldier carrying a baby and a mother crying, and these are the good stories. The bad ones are people actually dying and I mean it's all so horrible. We can worry about that, right? And we do. And we worry about the fact that Putin's a nutcase and he's got nuclear weapons, right? That's scary. Honestly, it is, and it affects the way that we feel like we can't respond, so it's like a choking thing, like you're anxious, you got to do something but you can't. Right? Anybody else feel that way? And then, you've got to drive to work and fill up your car with gas. Yes! You do! I had some people send me some memes on Instagram. Feel free to send me ones. If they're funnier than this, I might show them later. But here are my two favorites. When you want to surprise your girlfriend by taking her to the most expensive place in a city. Wow, that's great. Or here's another one. This one's pretty good. That smells expensive, what is that? Premium unleaded 98. It's like now you go to the gas station, put a little bit on your wrist, you get a little bit like on your neck. That's the smell of money. Wow, he must be rich. And then of course if only it was just the gas, but inflation is out of control, between all of the government stimulus and the interest rates being at zero percent, and the fed just now tapering back and raising interest rates. I found this gif of Jerome Powell, the fed chairman that I think is hilarious. But this is basically what the government is all the time. Here we go! This is how we solve our problems! That's your milk, your gas, your rent going through the roof, and Jerome Powell just keeps it going. All right that's not appropriate for church, for some reason. What happens is we're making fun of, and having fun with things that are real problems in our lives, right, and in our country and globally. And then you've got your own problems. You've got what the doctor just told you about your kid or about you or your mom, or your dad. You've got these old habits that you thought you beat that maybe are starting to come back as you feel anxious. Maybe you go into your prayer closet and you don't feel like you can sense God when you go there. Or maybe you just are worried about your own state or place you live or your country or wherever it is. Many of you who are watching internationally are dealing with that, as well. And you've just got your life, your job, and all of this somehow can sometimes feel so crushing. Like it's not one thing, it's all this stuff just piling on like a backpack. My prayer for you, my friend, this morning is that the Holy Spirit would do a miracle in your life, that all of that crushing weight, like just picture it like crushing weights on your shoulders, would turn to balloons and you can just sort of let them go. Just let them go. Jesus taught us, He said do not worry about what you'll eat or drink or what you'll wear, for the pagans run after these things and your heavenly Father knows you need them. He knows you need them. Most people stop right there. Christopher Hitchens, who was an outspoken atheist but somebody I really enjoyed reading and listening to, loved to pick on this verse as a criticism of Christians. And he and many other critics don't understand the point of the verse. It's what's said after that. Jesus doesn't say "don't worry," He says "BUT seek first God's kingdom and His righteousness, and all this other stuff will be added to you." Jesus isn't saying don't worry, He's saying instead of worrying, seek after God's kingdom; that is the reign and life of God. God's wisdom, His ways, and its practical wisdom. His life, and these things will take care of themselves. That word He uses, by the way, is *merimnao*, which I've taught before. The word for "worry" actually means to be pulled apart like in every direction. And so instead of going in a million different directions, you go in one direction. I'm just going to love the Lord with all my heart, and love my neighbor as myself, and trust the rest to the Lord. Do my best, forget the rest. That's it. And you will. I want to encourage you that when you get these feelings, these tight feelings in your chest and your mind, when you're up late at night and you can't sleep, that you train your first response not to blame your spouse, or blame the government, or some party, or whatever it is that's bugging you, and not blame anybody, but just run to God, and just say Lord, this is what's on my mind and heart. What's your answer to this? And how can I get in line with that big idea? I want you to know God's got victory in store for your life, and half of attaining that victory is just believing that it's so. Okay. All right. That brings us to our scripture, Psalm chapter 27. If you have a Bible you can read with me, but if you don't, I'm sure most of you have it memorized. That's also a joke. Presbyterians do not memorize. All right. This is David. David again, as I mentioned earlier, is an absolute train wreck.

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I mean he is that friend of yours that like you want to go to a party with, but you know you probably shouldn't. You know what I mean? We always think of him as this saintly person, he's really not. He kind of like goes through waves. Anybody else here go through waves? He has good phase and bad. And the shocking thing is not that he's a train wreck. The shocking thing is that God loves David so much. So this is one of the things we learn. It's obvious that God kind of likes David more than a lot of other Bible figures, at least it reads that way. I've often asked myself this question – what makes David so special? And I think what makes David so special is that his heart is always bleeding for the Lord. Like he's always just yearning for God. And when he's an idiot, he knows he's an idiot. He's like Lord, I am a dummy, I'm so sorry. Please forgive me and God's like okay. It's amazing. Isn't that great? Gives me hope. Does it give you hope? All right. Somebody's getting hope from this, and I appreciate that. When King David is anointed king, his life gets worse, you see. Comes under attack and he doesn't know what to do, and he's worried, and he's crippled with fear, and so he runs to God and he calls God his stronghold. We're going to go through this verse by verse. Actually it is a famous verse. You might have it memorized. He says in Psalm chapter 27, "the Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear?" This word "salvation" it does not just mean going to heaven when I die. The word salvation is about every part of you. Your salvation is your body, your soul, your mind. God cares about it all. He cares about everything about you. Do you care just about your kids, those of you who are parents. Do you care only about your kids' spirits? You care about everything, right? God cares about everything. And then it says, "the Lord is the stronghold of my life. Whom should I be afraid?" That word "stronghold" basically means a castle, right? We probably shouldn't even call it that. In David's day, people were not generally worried about war between great nations. We think of it that way because history is written as France goes to war with England, right? Or whatever. But that happened actually pretty rarely, once in a lifetime, maybe. But in most people's life, the kind of warfare they were worried about was tribal stuff from raiders. This is true in the early medieval period in Europe after the fall of the Roman empire, especially the northern parts of Europe were constantly being raided by what we think of as Vikings and people in ships and pirates where you'd just be everything's going great, and you've got your little family and you're having like, it's like, I don't know, the shire or something, and then a bunch of Vikings come in and they take everything and kill a bunch of people. And it's like lightning. And then you never see them again. This kind of thing, throughout human experience in nearly every part of the world, for thousands of years, until like gunpowder, has been something that human beings have worried about. And one of the best solutions to that is a stronghold, a castle. And so in David's day, in the early iron age, in the near east, you could see even the city of David was a stronghold; it's a wall. And if you're in those walls, raiders can't really do anything because they don't do bring trebuchets with them everywhere they go. They just pick off the easy targets. So in the ancient world, if you saw raiders coming, what would you do? What's the answer? You don't stand there and worry, you don't defend, you just run into the stronghold. You grab all your valuables, you run into the stronghold, and you wait. And that is a metaphor for our life. That though we're not dealing with Vikings coming through anymore, hopefully not; it's been a weird five years, so I wouldn't.. but lots of castles going up again. But saying that doesn't happen.. that in life, you're meant to.. like you would if you lived in a village, running to your castle. You run to God. It's just natural, it's what you do. You run to God, and then in that safe place, you're able to sort out life. And then in verse 2, David says, "When evil men advance against me to devour my flesh, when my enemies and my foes attack me, they will stumble and fall." Many of us, we don't have enemies, right? You don't have like a guy that's trying to kill you, has like a bounty on your head. In the same way, we don't have a lot of enemies, but we have these things in our life that feel like in an abstract way, like enemies, right? Right? These things that are coming after our lives. And David is essentially saying when you run into God's fortress, you almost want those things to come after you because it's like it will fall in the trap. Like if you were in those days, when you ran into a castle, you almost want the raiders to come because you kind of want them to die. You know what I mean? You want to see them get picked off. You want to see them fall into the pits that are around your little castle. And that's kind of how.. David is saying, like if I'm in God's fortress and my enemies move towards me, that will actually be the thing that destroys them. The Bible says that whoever touches you, touches the apple of God's eye. Isn't that a wonderful passage? It's like when somebody pokes you, it's like they just poked God in the eye. Isn't that a great passage? I love that. And God's just like (GROWLS). I think it's great. And then verse three, it says, "though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear. Though war break out against me, even then I will be confident." And here we get to this idea of the fear of the Lord.

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It's an idea for new Christians or people that are not Christians. It doesn't sound right, it doesn't seem like a good thing, but to fear God is the same way that a guy in a machine shop has a fear of a forklift. Or that someone who's camping has a fear of fire. It means you're not afraid of it, but you have a sort of respect for it. And in a way, that takes away all other fear. Here's one way. I love this analogy, but Hannah's dog growing up, here he is, this is Mozart. His name is Mozart. Wasn't a super intelligent dog, but was very cute. He's a shiatzu. It's the only time you can cuss in church. And Mozart was a coward. Like anytime someone came into the house, Mozart would run away, terrified. If there's any loud sound, he would like turn really quick. And he was still adorable. But the funny thing was if somebody that Mozart was afraid of came into the house, you would see him run away, scurry away, disappear, and then Doc, Hannah's dad would pick up Mozart and then the second he picked up Mozart, Mozart would be like (PAUSES), he would turn into this like tough dog, and he'd go (BARKING QUICKLY) while Doc is holding him. And then if Doc puts him down, he'll like whimper and like do this, and he's like kind of scared, and then the second he holds him, he's like (BARKING QUICKLY). In a way, that's what it means to fear the Lord. This is actually an analogy for the Christian life. That so often like when we sense the Lord holding us in life and we fear the Lord, in a way, it gives us personal strength towards the things that we feel like you just can't face another one of these. Or maybe you had an experience like that with your own parents, where you were kind of had a fear of your dad or mom. But when they were with you, and when that time the bully was around, or when they were with you when you had to face that scary thing, boy were you glad that they were there. My dad, especially, when I was a kid, was a big dude. He is a big dude, but he's my same height, we're the exact same height, six three; a lot of people on TV can't tell but I'm tall. But this is my dad when he was 35, so when I was a kid. Look at that guy! Looks like an Italian stallion even though he's Dutch. I for sure used this picture without permission and I might be getting a text later. But I would see my dad working out in our garage, and I'd be like dude, that's my dad, when I'm like nine. I looked like Wart from *Sword in the Stone*. And I still remember the story, actually, of my dad, who.. okay get it off the screen. I still remember the story of my dad when he was like almost went to the Olympics for wrestling, and one day when he was in his 50's, he told me and my three cousins, who are also big guys. One is 6'5, 6'6, and 6'8, I think. And he said I will wrestle all four of you at the same time, and pin all of you within a minute. So this is on Christmas in my grandpa's library. Yes, my grandpa had a library; he was a very cool person. And we cleared all the furniture out, and we surrounded him like four, and we all jumped my dad, and right as he said go, he went right for me, and he speared me and pinned me right away, and pinned all of us. And still to this day, my dad who's almost 70, if I'm going down a dark alley, I would really enjoy having my dad there, you know what I'm saying? This is what it's like times a million when you get to know God. God is here right now. He's here. He's just not on your mind. He's here. And when you look at the hard things in life, imagine the Lord in a very good way, gently placing His hands on your shoulders, and looking at the thing that you're looking at. And maybe like Mozart, you can feel a little tougher when you're facing what you're facing. I'll just finish with this. David finally says, "One thing I ask of the Lord, and this is what I seek, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. To gaze on the beauty of the Lord, and to seek Him in His temple. For in the day of trouble, He will keep me safe in His dwelling. He will hide me in the shelter of His sacred tent and set me free upon a rock." When we feel stressed or worried, you run to God. Run to Him! A lot of times we say don't hurry. The one time you hurry, you hurry into your prayer closet. You hurry to the house of the Lord. You hurry to hear from His spirit, and He will bring you victory. This is practical wisdom, my friends. When you get bad news, seek out the good news that's coming from the Lord. He has not finished your story with whatever bad news you got. And you know what's so great about God, is so often in life the thing that you thought was going to be so bad, He turns it around and like makes it this amazing.. like its better. Like you look back and you just go, I'm so glad I got fired! Best day of my life! Or whatever. And that's not to say that what you're facing is not a big deal, or is not crushing your soul, but it's to say that when you enter into God's presence and He's on your mind, you get the confidence and the faith to know God will overcome this. I believe His word is true. I believe it's for me. I believe it's today, and I believe it could even happen now. And so I trust the Lord, with all my heart and I'm not going to worry. I'll just give it to Him. Do my best and forget the rest. Let's pray over that now. Lord, we believe you. We believe that your word is true. We believe that you don't hold even one sin against us because of Christ crucified. We believe that when you see us, you see the apple of your eye. We believe that you look upon us with favor and joy. We believe that you are the most joyful and powerful person in the universe, and that you care about our lives right now.

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With faith and boldness, we turn our back on the enemy who would choose to deceive us, and we say he is a liar. We trust the word of God, we believe that its true, that you are here now, and that you can help us in our time of need, so we run to you, Father. We run to you into your loving arms, the strong arms of God, we thank you that you're here now and we just rejoice. It's taken care of and we love you. It's in Jesus' name we pray, all God's people said (AUDIENCE – amen) amen.

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And now the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift His countenance upon you and give you His peace in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, amen.