## 1ST CORINTHIANS 15:51-58

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory? The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

## PSALM 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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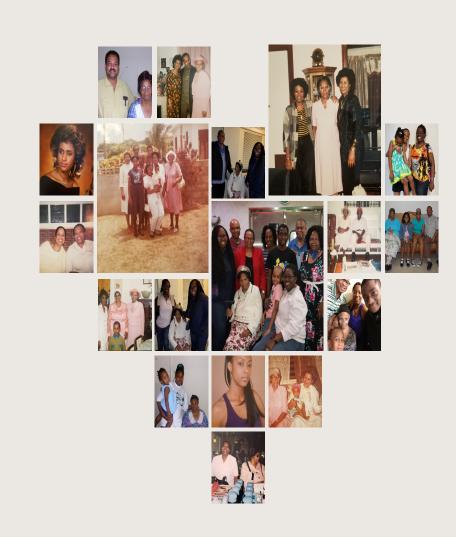
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## In The Great Triumphant Morning

In the great triumphant morning, When we hear the bridegroom cry, And the dead in Christ shall rise, We'll be changed to life immortal, In the twinkling of an eye, And meet Jesus in the skies.

#### Refrain

We shall all rise to meet Him, We shall all rise to greet Him, In the morning when the dead in Christ shall rise We shall all rise to meet Him, We shall all rise to greet Him, And shall have the marriage supper in the skies.

- 2. In the great triumphant morning, What a happy time 'twill be, When the dead in Christ shall rise, When the Lord descends in glory, Sets His waiting children free, And we meet Him in the skies. [Refrain]
- 3. In the great triumphant morning, When the harvest is complete. And the dead in Christ shall rise, We'll be crowned with life immortal. Christ and all the loved ones meet, In the rapture in the skies. [Refrain]
- 4. In the great triumphant morning, All the kingdom we'll possess, Then the dead in Christ shall rise, Reign as kings and priest's eternal. Under Christ forever blest, After meeting in the skies. [Refrain]

Source: The Cyber Hymnal #2800

#### **How Great Thou Art**

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

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

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing He bled and died to take away my sin

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

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart Then I shall bow, in humble adoration And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art

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 How great Thou art, how great Thou art

#### ORGAN PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL - Bishop Stuart Smith Bishop Dr. Rev Clarke, Elder Criag Smith

HYMN - In the Great Triumphant Morning

PRAYER OF COMFORT - Bishop Dr. Rev. Clarke

SCRIPTURE - Old Testament: Psalm 23 - Evelyn Foster (sister)

SCRIPTURE - New Testament: 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 - Sharon Thompson (daughter)

REFLECTIONS - 5 FAMILY MEMBERS & FRIENDS (1.5 MINUTES PLEASE)

POEM - The Dash Carlene Morgan (Daughter in law)

MUSICAL SELECTION - Great Is The Lord

OBITUARY - Derrick Morgan (Son)

MUSICAL SELECTION - Gracefully Broken

**EULOGY - Elder Craig Smith** 

RECESSIONAL HYMN - How Great Thou Art.

REPASS - Gospel Light Church, 684 Springfield Ave, Newark NJ 07103

INTERMENT

**Evergreen Cemetery** Hillside, New Jersey Elaine Patricia Morgan, was born to Joseph Moore and Leticia Foster on December 22nd, 1939 in Kingston Jamaica. She was the 3rd of 5 siblings. She is survived by her sisters Evelyn and Elmira. Mother was affectionately known to her family as - Sister Pammy, a kind, loving, caring and God-fearing woman. At an early age, she was out in the world learning to be an adult. Along the way, she met the love of her life - Aldene Morgan, the man she would marry. As she ventured into adulthood, she gave birth to eight children, Georgia, Patrick, Sharon, Derrick, Garfield, Richard, Audrey, and Helen.

In her mid to late twenties, she accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal savior. Her baptism and marriage were both conducted at the Bethel Born Again Church of Jesus Apostolic Church (Kingston 11, Jamaica) and was officiated by the late and esteemed – Bishop Luther Martin Allison. When she got saved, a part of her testimony was taken from the book of St. Mathew 6:33 – But seek Ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you (These words were important in her daily life because they lay the foundation of her spiritual journey). Because of her service and dedication to the gospel of the Lord, Bishop Alison declared her a "Mother" of the church.

Mother was fiercely protective of her children and made numerous sacrifices to make ends meet. Because her husband worked away from home, she often played the role of both mother and father. Now that we are all grown, we understand how stressful those days must have been for her because we were not always obedient. Considering how well we all progressed, she did an excellent job. Without taking credit, she often verbalizes how proud she was of us.

Each of us is born with a talent, a gift, or a calling. In her early years, mother worked in a garment factory. After migrating to the USA in the early 1990s, she worked in the area of child care. Despite her varied skill set, Mother Morgan's calling was to win souls for her Savior Jesus Christ. To this mission she was steadfast. Throughout her life she preached, declared, and communicated the undiluted word of God to all those who would listen.

On or about 1974/75, through her evangelism in Porus Manchester, Jamaica she went door to door in search of souls for the Lord. She invited neighbors, strangers, and passersby to prayers and worship. Through her effort, and with not much help from any of her children (smile) she founded an Apostolic Church in Porus, Manchester. The location of the church has changed but its mission of saving souls for Jesus Christ is still alive today. On Sundays whenever she is dressed to go out to church, and we were not ready, she would threaten; "Don't let

me get to church before you". We were alert enough to make sure she did not because we knew what would happen. We now know that she meant well.

Mother Morgan migrated to the USA in the early 1990s and lived independently in Newark, New Jersey. Like all mortals, she was afflicted by illness. Long-term illnesses that gave rise to her gradual physical demise. Despite her failing health, she did not falter in her desire to talk about the goodness of Jesus and his love. On the bus, in the street, or even at the doctor's office she would pray for random people and encourage them to seek the Lord. Mother led an exemplary life. She was well respected by her neighbors, church members, and the wider community. She was about love; love for her children, for her church, and the community. Sister Pammy's exemplary life is one of which we are proud; proud to call her mother, grandma, sister, aunt, and friend.

Mother would often enquire of her children, "How is your love life?" She would encourage us to respect and to make love to our spouses. Do not deny your husband/wife sex, she would often say. Sometimes these discussions would make us blush but she didn't care. She believed that any union that is sanctioned by God should reflect God's love, with sex being one of the main components. Mother was a good cook; we can still remember the taste of fried chicken on Sundays after church and the comforting smell of sweet potato pudding on a Saturday night.

In March of 2020, she suffered a fall at home that rendered her unable to properly care for her daily needs. As such, her new home became the Cornell Care and Rehabilitation Center in Union, NJ. Whenever we call Mother on the phone her first response was always a word of prayer and she made sure to end the call by praying and reinforcing the goodness of Jesus and his mercy. She would always encourage us to serve him.

Eventually, her illness rendered her gracefully broken on August 14, 2021. In our hearts and spirits, she did not die. But with arms wide open, she's declaring to Jesus, here I am lord gracefully broken. And in the mortal state of being broken, she has found freedom from illness and pain.

We are comforted by the scripture of St. John 3:16: For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believed in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. Often, it is not important how one starts (their life's journey) but how one ends. Mother Morgan endured and kept the faith, henceforth waiting for her is a crown of everlasting life.