



Join us as we travel within this workbook through the world of Jaycee, tackling some of the world's most profound questions and challenges, in search of the collective goodness toward unity and balance.

# MEET JAYCEE

STUDENT WORKBOOK

### **FORWARD**

### BY GOD

#### pg. 11

"Sometimes, it is a subtle change, which influences the most." And, "Even the smallest change can affect bigger changes ahead."

★ How do you relate to these quotes by God? How has a small change influenced your life in a big way?

(answer):

#### pg. 13-15

- ★ Why does God believe humans have lost sight of Jesus and his teachings?
  - 1.)
  - 2.)
  - 3.)
- ★ What's your most significant takeaway from the Forward by God? (answer):

- ★ What similarities did you find in Jaycee's birth and Jesus's birth?
  - 1.)
  - 2.)
  - 3.)

### CHAPTER 2

- ★ What are the key businesses that make up the town of Serenity, Minnesota? What makes this town special?
  - 1.)
  - 2.)
  - 3.)

#### CHAPTER 3

### **pg.** 25

"The greatest gift anyone can give another spirit is non-judgment and unconditional support to a fellow traveler who feels lost or off their personal path."

★ Do you agree with this quote? What do you think the greatest gift you can give someone is? (answer):

### pg. 26

Jaycee believes we are on this earth to learn, grow and experience life, as well as be aware of a larger purpose and a grander plan.

- ★ Why do you think you've been put on this earth?
  (answer):
- ★ What is Star World and why is it important? (answer):
- ★ What's your first impression of Jaycee and Maggie's friendship? (answer):

- ★ Name 3 items in Father Paul's office that stood out to you?
  - 1.)
  - 2.)
  - 3.)
- ★ What questions does Jaycee have for Fauther Paul regarding Jesus? (answer):
- ★ How does Father Paul explain the money the church takes in? (answer):

- ★ Why is Jaycee skeptical of Father Paul in the beginning of Chapter 5? (answer):
- ★ What's going on with Johnny and his family? Why does this confuse Jaycee? (answer):

#### CHAPTER 6

★ Jaycee describes her friends in this chapter. Which friend do you relate to the most and why?
(answer):

★ What business are the girls worried will come to Serenity and why does this concern them?
(answer):

### CHAPTER 7

- ★ Why is the soccer game Chapter 7 especially important? (answer):
- ★ There are some people at the game that are making Jaycee and Maggie uncomfortable. They speculate about who they are and why they're there. What are they doing that makes the girls question them? Who do you think they are?

★ What happens in the end of the game and why is it significant? (answer):

- ★ Why does Father Paul apologize to Jaycee? (answer):
- ★ What news does Jaycee's father share with her and why is this upsetting? (answer):
- ★ Jaycee's pills go missing. Where do you think they went? (answer):
- ★ A lot happens in Chapter 8. What stands out to you the most and why? (answer):

★ Sister Kristen introduces Jaycee to Ghost? What is the significance of the dog? What is Jaycee's solution?

(answer):

★ Who is Grandpa Bear? What does he say about Ghost?

(answer):

★ Grandpa Bear tells and important story (pg. 78). Summarize the story in your own words. What's the lesson in this story and how does it apply to your life?
(answer):

- ★ What do you learn about vision questions in Chapter 10? How do you prepare for them? Who is a good candidate for these quests? Name 3 things:
  - 1.)
  - 2.)
  - 3.)
- ★ Explain Grandpa Bear's vision. How do you relate to his realizations about the Universe? (answer):
- ★ What do you know about Native American Spirituality? (answer):

★ What connections did you find between Grandpa Bear's perspectives about spirituality and Christianity, as a whole?

(answer):

### CHAPTER 11

- ★ Where does Jaycee find Maggie? Did this turn of events surprise you? Why or why not?
  (answer):
- ★ What does Maggie say was the reason for the accident? How does this relate to the rest of the story?
  (answer):
- $\bigstar$  Jaycee reflects on what has happened through poetry. How did these poems impact you and why?

★ Explain what happens to Jaycee in Chapter 12.

(answer):

- ★ What message does she get from the squirrel? How do these relate to Jesus? (answer):
- ★ Maggie has some hard news for Jaycee in the end of this chapter. How does this make Jaycee feel and what is she inspired to do? (answer):

### CHAPTER 13

★ On page 112, Father Paul says, "All gone, my dear. I have what is on my back. This ratty old bathrobe. That's about it. But I do have my faith, and that will sustain me..." How does your faith sustain you when you feel you've lost something or someone? What does that feel like?

(answer):

★ What do you think is the significance of the fire? How does it relate to other stories in the Bible?

★ The town of Serenity has been hit with a lot of tragedy at this point in the story, and the characters in the book react in different ways. How do you react when met with difficult situations?

(answer):

★ What character's reactions do you relate to the most and why? (answer):

- ★ How does Jaycee's Vision Quest compare to Jesus and His 40 Days in the Desert story?
  (answer):
- ★ Would you consider doing a vision quest? Why or why not? (answer):
- ★ Have you ever had an intense dream or vision that changed the course of your life? If so, explain it below. If not, would you like to? Why or why not?
  (answer):

★ Why is Jaycee frustrated with Grandpa Bear in Chapter 15? How would you feel if you were in her shoes?

(answer):

- ★ What happens with the white squirrel in this chapter? (answer):
- ★ Make a prediction about what will happen at the end of the story based on what you know up to this point:

(answer):

- ★ A sort of miracle happens in this chapter. How would you explain it? (answer):
- ★ Do you have any role models in your life that are similar to Grandpa Bear? (answer):
- ★ How do you honor your role models in your life today? (answer):

- ★ What message do Jaycee's visitors have for her when they stop by her house? (answer):
- ★ What does Jaycee propose they do about solving the problems the town of Serenity is facing?

(answer):

★ Explain how you would work to solve these issues. What strength could you bring to help make a difference?

(answer):

### CHAPTER 18

★ Father Paul explains how losing everything can be a blessing. Do you agree? How have you seen this play out in your own life?

(answer):

★ On page 140, Father Paul says, "God's will be done. Whatever is meant to be will be, Jaycee. It's all in His hands." Jaycee argues saying, "But we can still wish, Father." Do you agree with Father Paul or Jaycee, or both? Why?

(answer):

★ The chapter ends with Jaycee saying, "What I didn't bring up, because I'm not read to share it, is that my path may not be college at all." Is there something you are hiding because you're not read to share it? What's holding you back?

★ On page 142, Jaycee tests her mom about becoming a nun. Her mom says, "But I think that business about priests and nuns not marrying is ridiculous and old-fashioned. Maybe one day soon it will change." Do you agree? Why or why not?

(answer):

★ Jaycee says, "Sometimes passion is more valuable than experience." (pg 145) Interpret this message in your own words:

(answer):

★ Do you believe light will always split the darkness and that hope defies evil? How have you seen this play out in your own life?

(answer):

#### FINAL THOUGHTS

★ Jaycee ends the book with a poem. Explain what this poem means to you:

(answer):

★ Write a short paragraph summarizing what you took away from this book and why it's important:

## **POETRY**

- ★ Have you ever written a poem? (answer):
- ★ What's your favorite poem? (answer):
- ★ Write a poem that describes you and your feelings at this point in your life: (answer):