

WELCOME TO THE *Virtual* 2021

Widows Conference



Speaker Notes

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Jennifer Sands

Her story:

- Jeremiah 29:11
- Take your broken heart to your Creator

What she has learned:

Why?

1. A broken _____ is not healed by explanations. It is healed by the love and grace of God. (Psalms 34:18)
2. God doesn't comfort us just to make us comfortable, but also to _____ us comforters. (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)
3. If you let God work in your heart and your _____, a blessing will come out! (Romans 8:28)
4. With Jesus in our life, we are NEVER _____.
(Joshua 1:9)

Sue Burrows LaRue

“SELF CARE”

1. Breathing
2. Eating
3. Exercise
4. Spiritual Health

“Choose to trust that God has your unique tapestry that will glorify God for His purpose in your life.”

Miran Neff and Valerie Neff Hogan

“Wise Women Managing Money”

SESSION 1 - What Matters?

1. Direct your _____ or it will direct you.
2. Everything belongs to _____ and they are on loan to us to use. (1 Chronicles 29:11)
 - a. The Bible is our foundation
3. We have 2 great comforts
 - a. God has a plan
 - b. You are not alone
4. There are 3 things you need to manage well with money
 - a. The desire to do so
 - b. The willingness to _____ and become informed
 - c. Basic math skills and/or a calculator.

SESSION 2 - TROUBLED TIMES

- 2 Timothy 2:17
- God is ready to partner with you.
- Here is a spending plan, with 2 steps to take:
 - _____ the pause button
 - Start tracking all expenses
- 2 Dangers to avoid:
 - Avoid old habits
 - Be careful _____ you listen to.

SESSION 3 - SPENDING PLAN

1. Work and earn first, then spend (Proverbs 24:27)
2. Six keys to be “budget smart”:
 - a. What is your income?
 - b. What are you spending? (Record it all)
 - c. Pay your bills promptly
 - d. Find out how much you have in liabilities and assets
 - e. Organize your documents
 - f. Talk to other wise people

- ***25% Household Income***

- ***10% Transportation***

- ***5%-10% Health***

- ***10% Insurance***

- Food, clothing, and entertainment are dependent on your income.

- Then work toward having 3-6 months worth of expenses set aside for emergencies. (An emergency fund)

Ferree Hardy

“Some “Friends” to Help You on Your Journey through Grief”

“Good Grief: A True Story of Love, Loss & New Life” by Sue Borrows LaRue.

- Visit Suzie’s website at www.sueborrows.com, or on YouTube at Good Grief Ministries by Sue & Bruce LaRue.

“Starting Over Financially” by Miriam Neff and Valerie Neff Hogan.

- This is a package of two CDs with six audio programs. Available only at widowconnection.com. Visit the Widow Connection website for many other resources too.

“Getting to the Other Side of Grief; Overcoming the Loss of a Spouse” by Susan Zonnebelt-Smeege & Robert De Vries.

“Grieving the Loss of Someone You Love; Daily Meditations to help you through the grieving process” by Raymond R. Mitsch and Lynn Brookside.

“Heaven: Your Real Home” (1995), or **“Heaven: Your Real Home...from a Higher Perspective** (2018)”, by Joni Eareckson Tada.

“After the Boxes Are Unpacked” by Susan Miller.

- Also visit the website www.justmoved.org if you'd like to find out about joining a group or other resources to deal with the issues of moving to a new location.

Also, please visit www.WidowsChristianPlace.com where you'll always find Ferree and her book, “**Postcards from the Widows Path-Gleaning Hope and Purpose from the Book of Ruth.**”

Marlene Craft

“God’s Design for Your Life”

His plan is to:

1. Help You

- a. The personal touch _____ has on your life. (Isaiah 41:9-10)

2. Shape You

- a. God is molding _____ (Romans 8:28; Isaiah 64:8)

3. Guide You

- a. The Lord is our _____ (Isaiah 54:5; Psalm 32:8; James 1:5)

4. Make you what you could never become on your own

- a. We need to be _____.
 - i. Learn, Grow, and Read (Jeremiah 29:11,13; Ephesians 3:20)