**Mr. Murray**

**Christian Leadership**

“Harboring too much unneeded stress,

Where sins are forgiven and secrets confessed

hidden messages found within this test

clouds cover the sky, the calm before the storm

Where mothers and fathers die, children will be born

flowers eventually wilt and trees hibernate

our actions define our fates.”

Actions speak louder than any words.

To question blindly without listening or seeing…we become

**The Human Experience**

The meaning of Life, the question is what is your purpose for living? This single question has haunted mankind since the birth of humanity. The Human experience is more than a word, like the meaning of life it's even more than an expression. It is at the core of our very existence, to simplify how complex this experience is; It is love, it is Joy, happiness, excitement.

For when even a blind man opens his eyes he feels the wind. Our emotions, thoughts and being are what make up the complexity of the human experience: to live and to feel; to act and to think. What is the meaning of life? The short answer is the life we live. To experience a miracle every second of the day whether that is a bad or even a wonderful moment, because that moment existed and nothing can change it now.

Most of us question our purpose in life. Who am I? Why am I here? These, along with other spiritual and existential questions, are thoroughly explored in ***THE HUMAN EXPERIENCE.***

In a world fraught with hostility and violence, an altruistic group of young men – Clifford Azize, Jeffrey Azize, Michael Campo and Matthew Sanchez – endeavor to understand the true essence of the human spirit by living among the world’s forgotten souls. The documentary highlights three of their profound experiences:

**Experience I: Living Homeless in New York City:** Clifford and Jeffrey Azize take to the streets of New York City to live among the homeless without money, shelter or food, during one of the coldest winters on record.

**Experience II: The Lost Children of Peru:** In the foothills of the Andes Mountains, Clifford and Jeffrey volunteer at a home for sick, destitute and orphaned children.

**Experience III: Lepers of Ghana:** The group interviews AIDS victims and visits a leper colony in West Africa.

By experiencing first-hand that hope and faith prevail in the hearts of our most disenfranchised members of society, these four men emerge from their experiences seeing more beauty in everything and everyone around them.

Essay: (3 pages, 12 pt, 1-1.5 sp) Read Isaiah 53 and draw meaning out of this scripture relative to *The Human Experience*, the Catholic Social Teachings : Dignity, Call to Family, Rights, Poor, Workers, Solidarity, Creation; the establishment of the “fix you” effect, and how you are beginning to see the world differently.

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